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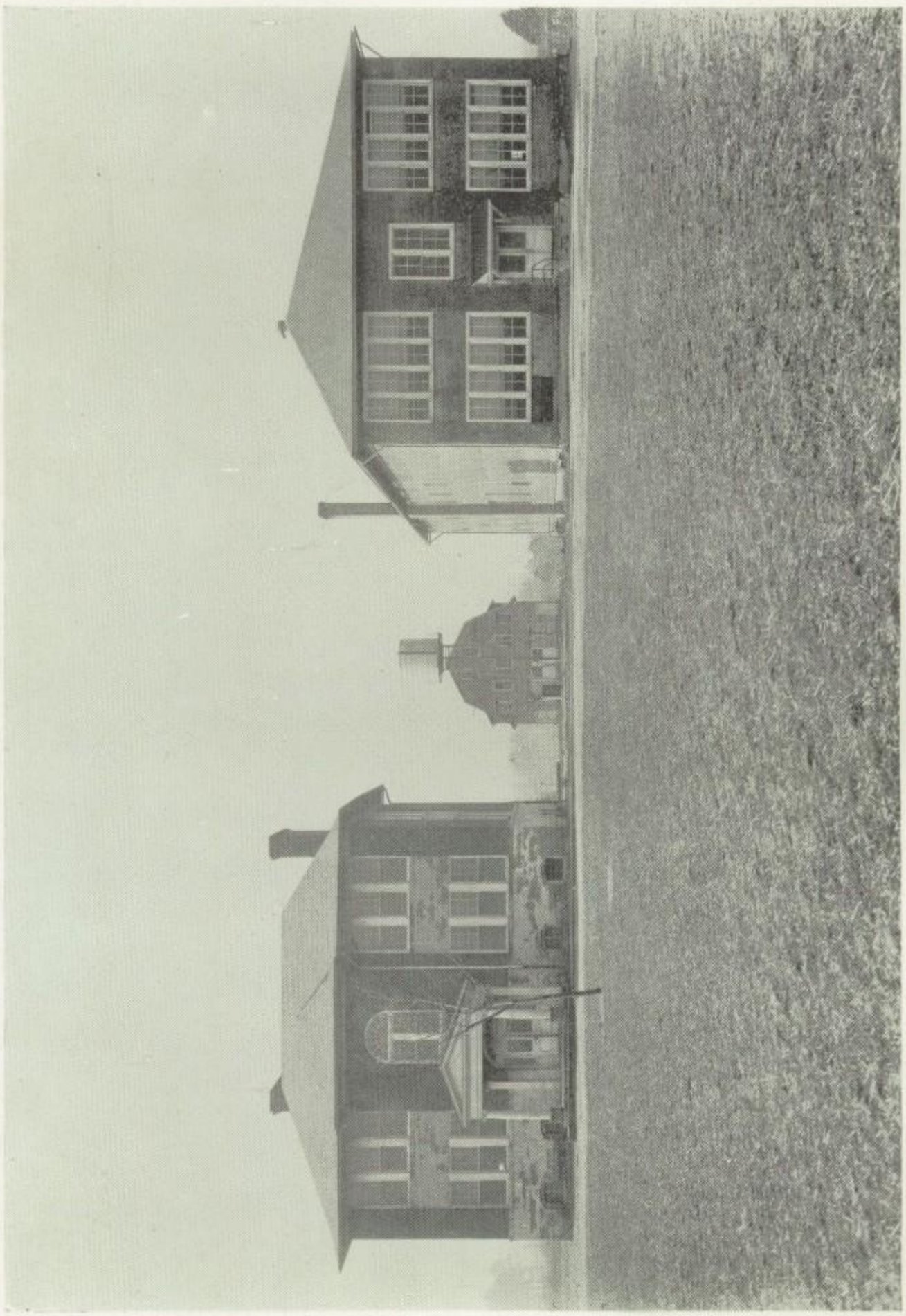

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FOREWORD

When in the future years Old Father Time has endowed you with the many joys of life, we hope you will glance through the pages of this, the 1926 VARINIAN, and reap from them happy memories of your life at Varina.

DEDICATION

To Our
Mothers and Fathers
whose untiring efforts, labor
and sacrifice have equipped us for life's
duties, we, the Class of 1926
do lovingly dedicate
this fourth volume
of
The Varinian

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Superintendent

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Trustee of
Varina District

Mr. Baker *Principal*

"VARINA"

¶ "Varina" plantation is a tract of land of some fourteen hundred acres, lying along the north bank of the James River, twelve miles below Richmond. "Varina" played an important and interesting part in the early history of the Colony of Virginia, both in regard to the important settlement and to the prominence of those who have lived there at various times.

¶ John Rolfe, coming to America in 1610, settled at "Varina" and established the first commercial plantation in the English Colonies. In 1613 his well-known marriage with Pocahontas occurred. This couple lived at "Varina" for several years.

¶ The first location of the Henrico County Courthouse was at this beautiful old home, it having been established in 1632, and its records from 1677 to 1752 are still extant.

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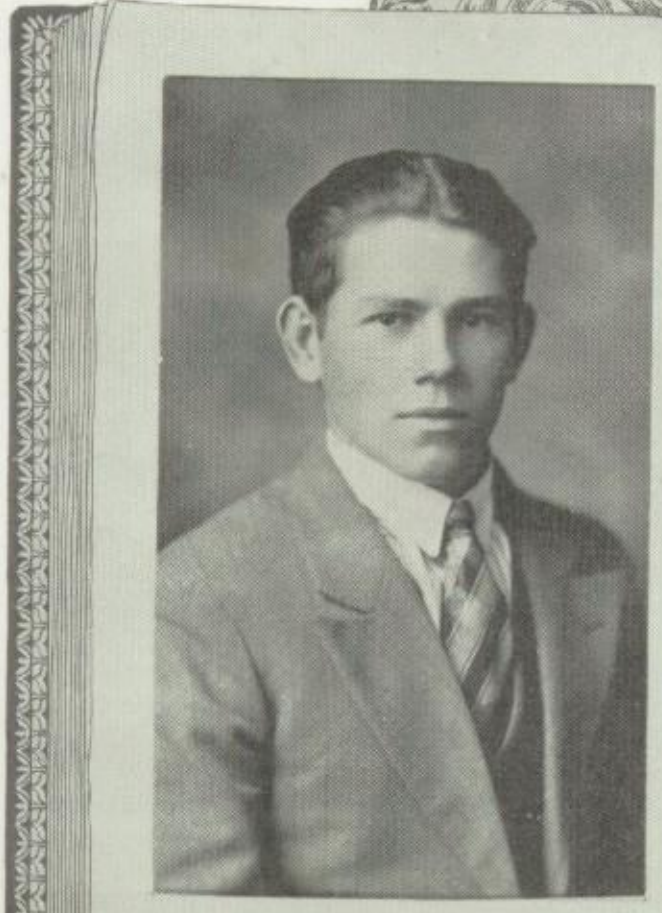
"CURL'S NECK"

¶ Curl's Neck Farm and sporting estate, comprising about five thousand acres of land, is situated on the James River about fifteen miles southeast from Richmond. Curl's Neck is one of the famous old Colonial places in Virginia, having been the home of one of the Randolphs, who settled there in 1635. Nathaniel Bacon, the leader of "Bacon's Rebellion", is also said to have lived there at one time.

¶ The mansion is situated upon a bluff about twenty-five feet above tide water, directly overlooking the river. It is a three-story Colonial brick structure, having outside dimensions of forty by one hundred and eight feet. There are fifteen spacious rooms in this beautiful mansion.



RAYMOND McCANN

Tinny is a studious (?) boy,
He learns his lessons all;
But that which is his greatest joy,
Is playing Basketball.

"Tinny" has a mischievous, fun-loving disposition. He is always trying to play a joke on someone, sometimes to his own detriment. He assists Eugene in the laboratory and loves to experiment in making "shoe polish." "Tinny" does not play all the time, for he works hard on his lessons and at basketball. His basketball work has won for him the commendation of both teachers and the student body. Here's wishing you future luck, "Tinny"!

JULIA WAGNER

Julia—the most serious in our class;
Lessons first and pleasure last.

Julia is our serious-minded girl. She is quite studious and always comes to class with her lessons well prepared. She is no grind, however, for she takes part in all our class meetings and isn't at all backward about letting us know her ideas on the subject under discussion. A bright future as a social worker awaits Julia, for she has decided to enter some field of missionary service.

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EULA DAVIS

Flaxen hair, eyes of blue,
Snappy skirt; a flapper too.

When some one passes swiftly by like a ray of sunshine across the summer sky—that's Eula. Her usual haunts are at home studying, so she can tell which of Mr. Baker's Chemistry questions are "risky business." She may also be found either at school or hiking. Eula declares she is going to be a nurse but hasn't said for whom. We, ourselves, believe that she would make an excellent interior decorator.

MARGARET THROCKMORTON

With real auburn hair, tall and slim,
Face all bright with a pleasant grin.

Margaret is the only student in the class who possesses auburn hair and this gives her an added distinction. Her hearty, congenial manner, her pleasant smiles and sunny disposition have won the heart of every student. Margaret studies hard but she also has her fun. She is a wonderful giggler and fond of walking. We might go as far as to predict a successful business career for her but we believe she will be found keeping house and making a home for some lucky man.

ELIZABETH YAHLEY

Fairest skin, golden hair;
Free from trouble and from care.

"Betty's" hearty laugh and jolly ways have won for her a place in the hearts of all her classmates. This does not mean she is talkative, for silence is her one great art of conversation. She is very domestic and we expect she will some day make an excellent housewife; however, at present, her highest ambition is to be a Home Economics teacher. We wish her all success in whatever she undertakes.

THELMA PERKINS

Thelma will make a good housewife, we bet,
Because she is very fond of "PET".

Thelma wants what she wants, when she wants it, and gets it then—or folks wish she had. Although at times she is quite sharp and out-of-patience with her classmates, she is as a rule quite good-natured. Thelma studies hard and deserves a lot of credit. We predict she will never be an old maid unless she changes some of her present ideas. However, whatever you undertake, "here's luck to you, Thelma!"

In your book of friends regard me as a page

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RUTH SADOWSKY

"Hoarding wisdom with each studious hour."

Ruth is a studious and also a serious girl, nevertheless, strange to say, she has bobbed hair. Ruth is a personality. She is original in all that she does—even in her method of traveling to and from school, for she drives a motorcycle. She is the most dependable girl in the Senior class and is always willing to lend a helping hand. We predict that she will be an excellent teacher.

HERBERT BAUGHAN

"Cicero's smile is wide and sunny,
Which he freely displays when anything's funny."

Herbert is a general favorite with all the students. He was elected the most popular boy of the Senior class, because of his obliging nature. It could hardly be said that Herbert spends all of his time studying, but he manages to make a passing grade in all his studies. Herbert's favorite pastime is "making dates" with a certain young lady, who never keeps them. He says he is going to be a dentist, and we believe he will make a good one.

"Poo Mama" Mc

Here's hoping you get your Idea. Go after him.

Conn.

EUGENE McANALLY

Eugene is a gentleman
Who loves the ladies all;
He's always with a pretty maid
A strolling in the hall.

"Gene" is the tall, good-natured, curly haired boy often seen driving a lizzie about Varina. In spite of the fact that Eugene is not fond of work, he is one of our most energetic Basketball players. He is a good student, but is ready for fun at any time. Every one enjoys his mischievous spirit, cheery smiles and jolly puns. If he makes as big a hit with the world as he has made with us we feel sure he will be successful.

CONSTANCE FOXALL

Happy am I, from care I'm free;
Why aren't they all contented like me?

The above couplet describes "Conny", for she never allows any of the petty trials that aggravate most of us to ruffle her calm disposition. Constance takes part in the literary work of the school and represented us creditably at Blackstone last spring.

She can usually be found haunting the halls and the office and getting her daily exercise by dodging the teachers. Constance intends to go to college but has not decided what branch of work she will take up.

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GERTRUDE DRINKER

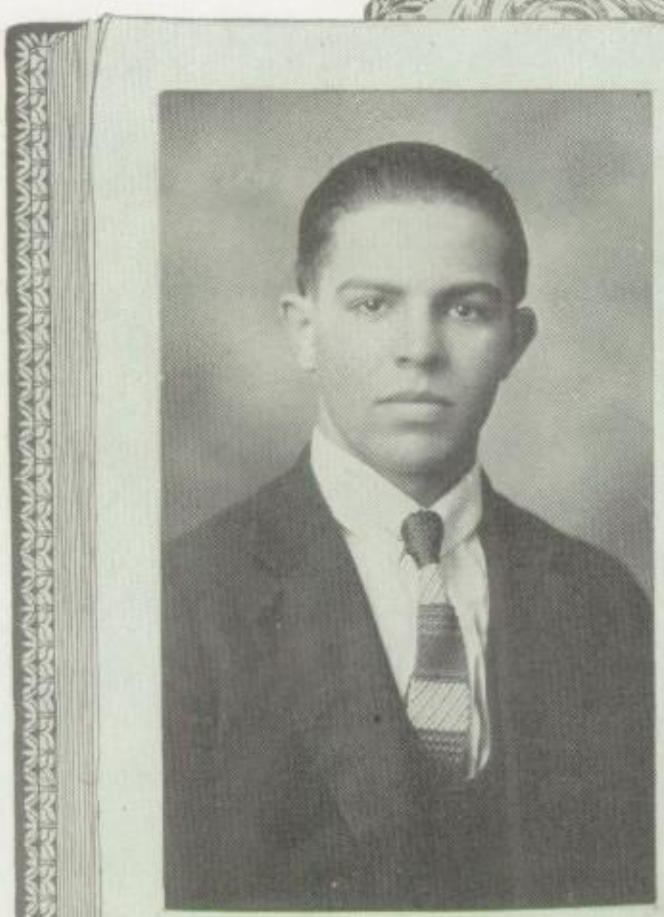
I sing and chatter as I go,
And go and go forever.

Gert, one of the Varina girls who doesn't have shorn locks, is our accomplished Prima Donna who is always called upon to sing at our many programs. Good-natured and mischievous, she is one of our most popular girls. She has taken an active part in our literary contests and all other school activities. Gertrude expects to teach and we all join in wishing her a world of success.

MARTHA LEE ELLIOTT

Who's that coming down the hall,
Very slim and very tall,
Talking to a Junior "hick"—
Why, of course, it's sweet ole "Blique."

Martha Lee did not join our class until her Senior year but she has proved a most welcome addition. Her happy smile, her jolly light-hearted manner, and her entertaining conversation soon opened our hearts to welcome her. Martha Lee displays wonderful ability on the Basketball court, and her excellent sportsmanship has been an inspiration to others. We are sure that "Blique" will succeed in whatever she undertakes.



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JOSIAH FUSSELL

Small of stature,
Large of feet;
In athletics,
Hard to beat.

Josiah is a hard, conscientious worker, quiet but fun-loving. He is always polite to the girls, something which they appreciate, but he also has much curiosity. Josiah takes an active part in athletics and has represented us creditably in contests and games. We hardly know what to predict for him but we believe he is interested in farming and will some day be a "country gentleman."

ROBERT SIGMUND

Robert is a quiet lad,
Neither good, neither bad.

Robert is a very quiet boy, who spends his time studying and reading. He sometimes concentrates so hard that he gets his class periods mixed and appears in the wrong class, much to his own embarrassment. Robert often startles his classmates with irrelevant remarks; we do not know whether he is talking to himself, to us, or just thinking aloud. He does not yet know what he intends to do, but we think he has all the qualifications for making an excellent college professor.

Senior Class History

IN September, 1922, we, the Seniors of 1926, began our long journey through High School with twenty-one boys and girls on the roll. The upper classmen noticed us enough to call us "Rats."

Our instructors for the year were Miss Stoneman, Miss Sutphin, Miss McCraw, Mr. Rice and Mr. Baker.

During the year we lost three of our classmates, Terrell Jenkins and Raymond Beasley, who found some other occupation better than school life, and Lyston Day, who moved to Richmond.

A very short but happy vacation followed, and when September, 1923, came around again we found ourselves to be Sophomores.

We soon discovered that three of our classmates had dropped from our ranks. Josephine Logan decided to continue her education at a city school, and Atlee McCue and Edward Holst moved away from this community.

We were glad to see two new pupils from Glendale, Constance Foxall and Elizabeth Yahley. Mary Hamilton also joined us, but later in the year.

Miss Stoneman and Mr. Baker were the only members of the faculty of the previous year who returned to us; in place of the others we had Miss Summers, Miss Stone and Mr. Anderson.

We now played a more important part in the school, taking part in the literary activities more than ever before, and our class gave the best Junior League program of the year. We also took part in athletics, Raymond McCann and Walker Peers playing on the basket-ball team, helping Varina to win many games.

The following September we returned to our work, and were really Juniors.

Mr. Abernathy was our new agriculture teacher, in Mr. Anderson's place, and Mrs. Dorey was added to the faculty later in the year.

Six of our members failed to return this year. Eleanor Frayser and Walker Peers attended business college, Fanny Barnett and Paul Schultz attended Charles City High School, Dorothy Dew moved to Richmond, and Edward Guy, Jr., found farming more interesting than school work.

Again we had some new members from Glendale—Thelma Perkins, Alene Hobson and Beatrice Durret. The latter did not remain with us very long, however. Hobson Reynolds later joined our ranks and kept our number on roll from decreasing.

We again had two members on the basketball team, Raymond McCann and Josiah Fussell.

This year the best girl reader, Constance Foxall; the best boy reader, Herbert Baughan, and one of the best debaters, Gertrude Drinker, of the school came from our class.

At Christmas-time we had a big surprise, as Miss Stoneman became Mrs. George Oliver.

When we entered school in September, 1925, we missed one of our former classmates, Alene Hobson, who did not find school work very interesting.

Miss Talley took Miss Stone's place; Miss Taylor came in the place of Mrs. Oliver, and Miss O'Neal took Mrs. Dorey's position.

We had one new member, Martha Lee Elliott, who played an important part in the girls' basketball team and in the other activities of the school.

Mary Hamilton left us at Christmas-time as she found a home of her own in Oklahoma more interesting than school.

Martha Lee Elliott, Raymond McCann, Josiah Fussell and Eugene McAnally creditably represented us in athletics.

As our class has worked together in harmony through their years of school work we feel sure that each will work in harmony with the world, and we trust that each one will choose the road to success.

RUTH SADOWSKY, *Historian.*

Senior Class Prophecy

IT was June, 1935. I was very much excited this Sunday morning as I arose, for the one thrill of my life was to begin that day. I was to have my first ride in an aeroplane and a long one at that. So, hurrying thru a light breakfast, I hastened to the aviation field and there met my fellow travelers.

However, we were not destined to a very smooth journey, for we had hardly been flying four hours when something went wrong with the engine and we were forced to land in a large field. The pilot informed us that the repair work would take a couple of hours so we separated and started searching for amusement. In my wandering I came upon a large hill on the top of which was situated a massive-looking house surrounded by a beautiful flower garden. I was thirsty, so climbing to the front stoop, I rang the door bell. In answer there appeared a neat, pleasant-looking woman whom I took to be the housekeeper. She asked me to step inside until she could get me a drink. While waiting I noticed the expensive but neat furnishings and wondered who the person could be who owned this lovely home. When the woman returned I put my wonder into words. "This," she said, "is the home of Mr. Josiah Fussell." "Josiah Fussell," I exclaimed, and then told her of my acquaintance with him. "Come right into the library, Madam, I know he will be glad to see you," and she led the way.

As I entered the spacious book-lined room, a dark man of medium height rose to greet me. For half an hour we had a very interesting conversation and then I had to leave in order to be at the plane in time, but I had learned that Josiah was a country gentleman, single, well-to-do and happy. He owned a large estate and was the master of many servants. He was still an active sport and had organized an athletic league in the nearby village.

I reached the plane and we started on our journey again, but as luck would have it, we hadn't gone more than twenty-five miles when we were again forced to land, this time just outside of a small village. The pilot informed us as before, so a crowd of us wandered into the settlement. It consisted of three streets, each a mile long, including the suburbs, however, it had all the modern conveniences of large cities and the people were very up-to-date. We wandered up the main street, the center of the three, and noticed the church, theater, department store, millinery store and other places which are usually to be seen. We came into the suburbs and were confronted by lovely homes, one of which especially attracted my attention. It was small but pretty and cozy looking, surrounded by flowers and a spacious lawn. On the porch sat a little lady reading. I gave her a hasty glance then turned away, but something prompted me to look again. She was looking at us, and I

recognized her as Thelma Perkins. I detached myself from the group and walked up the flower bordered path to the beautiful little house. She recognized me immediately and gave me a hearty welcome. I had hardly been seated before she fired at me a bevy of questions concerning our classmates. The only one I could tell her about was Josiah, but we had a very nice talk about other things. In leaving I asked her, "Are you happy, Thelma?" "Why ask me that?", she replied, "you know I am. My sister-in-law says happiness shines all over my face." "It does," I replied "and by the way, how is Elizabeth and what is she doing?" "Oh, she is living here with us. She is working in the bank in town and is engaged to the banker's son. We are all wishing for a wedding but they are biding their time," Thelma sighed. I left her happily smiling and hastened back to the aeroplane.

We had no more break-downs and reached New York in the early evening. One of my fellow travelers, Elsie by name, and I had become very well acquainted. so we went to a hotel together. As Elsie was a gay young creature always wanting to be on the go, nothing would do but she must go to the ball in the hotel that night. I was too tired to dance but accompanied her to the ballroom. She was soon whisked away from me, so I retired to a secluded corner and watched the dancers. As my eye wandered over the colorful scene, I was attracted by a group of gentlemen who had gathered around an attractive young lady dressed entirely in black. When Elsie and her partner returned to me I inquired as to who the young lady could be. "Why she is a widow," the gentleman told me, "young, gay, and wealthy. She married an old millionaire. He died and she got his fortune. She was a Miss Elliott, I believe, and I hear her familiar friends call her "Martha Lee." I was astounded. Of all odd happenings this was the limit. To my regret I got no chance to speak to her that night, but I made a firm resolution to look her up later on. The very next day I had the good luck to meet her, "I am on my way to my lawyer's office," she said, "Come on and go with me." And that's how I saw Herbert. We were ushered into a private office and were confronted by our dignified classmate, Herbert Baughan, a lawyer. He was well suited for the position and was already very popular as an executor of wills. He was married and he and his wife spent much of their time in society. Herbert had developed a craze for golf as was shown by the fact that he was practicing a shot as we walked in. We talked of old times until lunch hour and then went our separate ways.

That afternoon the plane left New York and we continued our flying journey. From New York we sailed due west to Pittsburgh, taking about three hours. We were walking briskly to a hotel when, upon turning a corner, we bumped suddenly into Gertrude Drinker. "Why, Gert," I exclaimed, "Is it really you?" "Why, Connie," she answered, "What are you doing here?" "Come in here," I said, motioning to a small tea room, "and let's talk." And that's what we did. For two hours we chatted and I learned that Gertrude was an instructor in 4-H club work. "I am due at the broadcasting studio right this minute to give a talk on Home Improvements," she said. So we parted; she to her work, Elsie and I to a hotel.

The next day, when we reached the aviation field, I was delighted to find there a new passenger, no other than Julia Wagner, who was having a vacation and was

taking an air trip to Cincinnati, Ohio. We had a heavenly two and a half hours, at the end of which time I knew Julia was the head nurse in some hospital. Strange to say she was not married, but from the color of her face when I asked her, I knew that was soon to be. Landing in Cincinnati, we parted, and as Elsie was here to stay and was in a hurry to get settled down, we hastened in search of an apartment. By chance we found a suitable one without much trouble and were directed to the office of an interior decorator. Who should it be but Eula Davis? I was getting used to surprises but this one affected me. She was overjoyed to see me but she still had that proud, reserved, yet pleasant way about her. Her neat, artistic tastes had made for her a thriving business of decorating other people's homes, and although she had numerous chances she cared not to decorate one for a husband and her own comfort. That was just like Eula, a man-hater. We secured her services and all went to lunch together.

Early the next morning Elsie accompanied me to the field, however, I boarded the plane for Tennessee alone. Nothing exciting happened on this journey, so as I had a good book I finished reading it just as we landed in Knoxville. I went to the hotel and as I was weary, I retired to my bed directly after dinner. It must have been about 11:30 P. M. that I was awakened by shouts and screams and smoke. Panic stricken I jumped out of bed and hastened to the hall door. It was flung open just as I reached it and I knew no more until I looked around in astonishment and saw seated beside me a very dignified young lady. Her dignity did not hide the kind anxious look on her face as she asked me how I felt. For answer I rubbed the bruise on my head and asked, "Where am I and who are you?" "Your hotel caught on fire last night. In the rush you were knocked unconscious and brought to my home because the nearest hospital was filled. I am Mrs. Sigmund," the lady told me. Sigmund, Sigmund, that name sounded familiar. "Oh, yes. Do you know Robert Sigmund?" I asked. "I guess I know him as well as anybody," she said, "I am his wife." It took me several days to recuperate and by that time the plane had left. I didn't mind because Mrs. Sigmund was an entertaining talker, especially concerning Robert's work. He was a scientist and inventor and at the time was in Washington trying to obtain a patent for a glass stove lid, thru which you could see whether or not the fire was burning without lifting the lid.

Having recovered from my accident, I took a train for Palm Beach, Fla., as the doctor had recommended me to do. Adventure must have followed me continually on this tour. While walking along a lonely part of the beach one afternoon I was shocked to see the body of a man lying just at the edge of the water. I dragged him out as far as my strength would let me and then hastened back to get help from somebody. I grabbed the hand of the first man I came to and urged him to follow me quickly. We reached the prostrate body and my companion immediately started working on him. It was while watching these operations that I noticed for the first time whom I had gotten, no other than Eugene McAnally. Luckily he was a doctor and soon had the drowning man breathing again. We got him to the hotel and under medical care. That night I met Eugene and his bride as they were starting for the beach to enjoy the moon, a honeymoon for them.

After a week's visit in Florida, I boarded the train for Savannah, Ga. I had met some classmates in every place I had visited so I was rather on the lookout for somebody in Georgia. I was not disappointed. It was while standing on a bridge overlooking Savannah Bay that I saw Raymond. He, as I, was watching the large collection of boats and I did not recognize him until I asked him a question and he turned to give answer. We talked there till sundown and I learned that Raymond was a naval officer, a professor in the naval academy at Annapolis, and he and his wife were starting the next day on a cruise around the world in their private yacht. I dined with them at their home that night and as they were going to Richmond before starting on their trip, I had the pleasure of coming with them that far. We arrived in Richmond during the early evening of the next day. I immediately started for a friend's home. The following day, however, I hired a taxi and wandered out to Varina. Gracious, what a change. It had grown so that I would not have recognized it but for the sign. School had closed for the summer; however I noticed signs of life about the place so went in and made a discovery. The Junior Class of 1926 were having a reunion and were pretending to go through their classes, as they had done in school days. It was rather a ridiculous sight to see these grown men and women acting like children but they seemed to be enjoying themselves, so I entered the fun. While we were having an argument in Civics class who should walk in on us but Margaret Throckmorton. She was on her way to visit at her home and upon seeing signs of life about the school she, as I, had been curious. I was surprised to learn that Margaret had just returned from abroad, where she had been on an extended honeymoon. Before her marriage Margaret had specialized in Home Economics and had been teaching in a college.

After leaving Richmond I went to Washington to get some information which I wanted and as a climax to my journey, I ran into Ruth. She had a high civil service job and was to be promoted again very soon. Her steady and accurate services were a necessity to the government and they would do their utmost to keep her.

On the train bound for Home, Sweet Home, I reviewed the past three weeks and as the panorama of events crowded themselves through my mind, I wished with all my heart that each might continue to be as prosperous and happy as I had found them.

—Constance Foxall.

"WESTOVER"

¶ Situated on the James, in Charles City County, is the handsome and historical estate, "Westover." The mansion, which is over two hundred years old, is one of the most imposing in Virginia.

¶ "Westover" was the residence of Col. William Byrd, the founder of Richmond.

¶ Linked with the traditions of "Westover" are legends of the beautiful Evelyn Byrd, and the home was a rendezvous of the most cultured spirits of Colonial Virginia.

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Junior Class

Junior Class

Class Motto: "Always lead, never follow."

Class Flower: Lily of the Valley

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Meyer Shiffler
Grace Waring
Elinor Whitlock

"I'll be loving you always."
Yarbrough.

Junior Class History

ON the morning of September 4, 1923, the Freshman Class of Varina began their first year in high school. How thrilling "'twas"—old classmates back together again and new students from other schools. Altogether the class numbered twenty-five, but before the end of the first term five students stopped school.

Miss Summers was the Freshman teacher, and she tried hard to make the "rats" be good and study hard.

The first year in high school passed and the beginning of the session in 1924 found most of last year's "rats" Sophomores, with the exception of five, who had joined the following class, and Margaret Dew, who had moved to Richmond.

That year we had six new members from Glendale, and Raymond Twynham, Barbara Shaw and Grace Waring from other schools.

As Sophomores, with Miss Stoneman (later to be Mrs. Oliver) as our teacher, we all studied hard (?), especially in biology. We were fortunate not to lose but two members that year — Raymond Tywnham and Laura Nelson.

After three months of vacation, which we all enjoyed, we returned to Varina as Juniors. This year we have three new teachers—Miss Talley, Miss Taylor, and Miss O'Neal, our Junior teacher.

At the beginning of the term we were minus five of our members and plus one, Hobson Reynolds. Later in the term Meyer Shiffler joined our class.

We are all working hard and trying to be good as Juniors should, and next year we hope that all of us will be "dignified Seniors."

Here's to our Junior Class! May we never fail our school in any way, and always do those things which will add to the glory and honor of Varina.

GRACE WARING.

"SHIRLEY"

¶ Thirty miles from Richmond, on the James River, in Charles City County, is the beautiful and ancestral home of the Carter family—a home which has sheltered many generations and which has been in the family over two centuries.

¶ At "Shirley" was born Anne Hill Carter, the wife of "Light Horse" Harry Lee and mother of Robert E. Lee.

¶ "Shirley" plantation is one of the finest in Virginia and possesses a charm of its own. This home remains in the hands of decendants of its original owners.

wishing you a success in life always.
Best of luck
Powell. Johnson

Sophomore Class

ROLL

Annie Canfield
Mabel Davis
Ortis Becker
Cecil Hare
Wilmer Hedrick
Elizabeth Johnson
Carl Hickam
Virginia Nelson
Elma Milam
Christine Sweeney
Helen Wagner
Laura Nelson
Emmett Lipford
Ella Murphy
John Mistr
Louise Sadowsky
Robert F. Nelson
Barbara Shaw
Grace Wagner
Cleo Yeary

Sophomore Class History

ON a bright September morning we, the Class of '28, gathered in the Freshman room. We were thirty-six in number, and all of us were thrilled with the thought of being in high school.

As soon as we were settled and ready for work, we lost three of our members, a fact which grieved us very much. But a little later Irene Campbell came to us from St. Louis. We had some very promising athletes who showed up well at the track meet held here last spring, and who are doing well this year. We came second to winning the prize for having the best programs in the High School Junior League. Thus, with bright spirits, we finished our Freshman year.

Then followed a short but happy vacation, and again in September we assembled as Sophomores and were happy in greeting our friends and classmates, but we were sorry that some of our number had decided not to come back.

We had started with nineteen in this our second year. Later Elma Milam came to join us, which made us twenty. This year we won in the program contest. We have members of our class who are doing good work in the high school. Carl Hickam is vice-president of the Athletic Association and a member of the basketball team. Barbara Shaw and Elma Milam are on the basketball team, and Louise Sadowsky is secretary of our Junior League.

We are going to work hard, with the help of our faithful teachers, Miss Taylor, Miss O'Neal, Miss Summers, Miss Talley, Mr. Abernathy and Mr. Baker, to reach our goal with honors.

HELEN WAGNER, *Historian.*

Virginia

The roses nowhere bloom so white
As in Virginia;
The sunshine nowhere shines so bright
As in Virginia;
The birds sing nowhere quite so sweet
And nowhere hearts so lightly beat,
For Heaven and Earth both seem to meet
Down in Virginia.

There is nowhere a land so fair
As in Virginia;
So full of song, so free of care,
As in Virginia;
And I believe that happy land
The Lord's prepared for mortal man
Is built exactly on the plan
Of old Virginia.

The days are never quite so long
As in Virginia;
Nor quite as filled with happy song
As in Virginia;
And when my time has come to die,
Just take me back and let me lie
Close to the Blue Ridge Mountains high
Down in Virginia.

"TREE HILL"

¶ About two miles from Richmond, in an extensive grove of oaks, sets the beautiful "Tree Hill" house, which, during the early days, belonged to the Selden family.

¶ It has always been noted for its lowgrounds and now ranks among the leading dairy farms of Virginia.

Freshman Class

Freshman Class

ROLL

Elwood Alexander
Carl Beasley
John Boltz
Franklin Childrey
Eddie Cousins
Beverly Crouch
Warren Davis
Allan Dotson
John Dovola
Roland Dowdy
Lewis Durrett
Lois Durrett
Willard Frayser
John Fussell
Hayden Garnett
Aman Grubbs
Eddie Hare
Mann Page Harrison
Aubrey Hedrick
Arthur Hines
Ernest Lipford
Percy Moore, Jr.
Winfred Moore
Albert Morawski
Victor Morawski
Floyd Nuttall
Kanstrup Ottesen
John Payne
Beverly Pearman
John Pearman
Edward Saxby
Ida Beadles
Cecelia Beadles
Thelma Becker
Nellie Bowsher
Mary Dorton
Willinette Fussell
Emma Gallmyer
Ruth Hare
Geneva Hildebrand
Clara Mistr
Imogene Morgan
Lillie Ottesen
Helen Redford
Clarese Redford
Malinda Schuh
Thelma Shurm
Jennie Stoneman
Annie Tepper
Alice Throckmorton
Catherine Whitlock
Caroline Wills
Florence Woods
Helen Yahley

Freshman Class History

IN the morning of September 11, 1925, the Freshman class assembled in the Freshman room ready to start on their journey through high school. The pupils who had come over from Mrs. Bernheisel's room saw many new pupils who had come from Glendale, Montrose and other schools. This meeting of so many new friends afforded much pleasure. If it had not been for our beloved teacher, Miss Summers, who helped us get our subjects straightened out, we do not know what we would have done.

Fifty-four pupils were enrolled at first, and as the class was so very large Mr. Baker found it necessary to divide it and to turn part over to Miss Taylor in the Sophomore room.

Later on during the term Virginia Coover and Christine McKinney, John Boltz and Mary Dorton found it necessary to drop out, but a new pupil, Caroline Wills, was enrolled.

The class is now pressing onward through this term, resolved to do their best and in a few years to graduate the largest and most honored class Varina High School has ever had.

W. B. PEARMAN, JR., *Historian.*

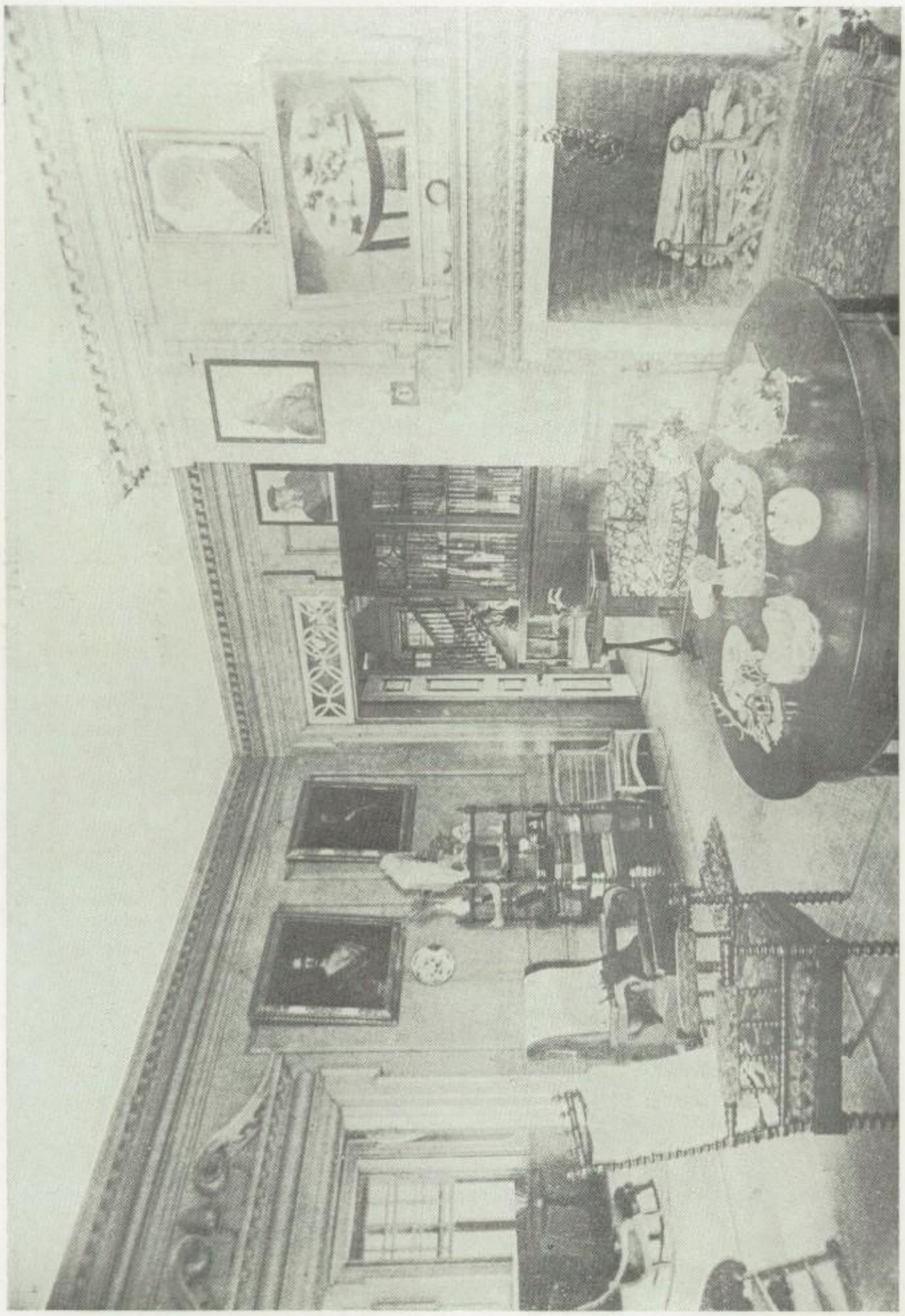
"MALVERN HILL"

¶ Situated back on a beautiful hill about ten miles from Richmond, are the ruins of the historic home "Malvern Hill." The mansion was destroyed by fire about twenty years ago.

¶ Here one of the hardest battles of the Civil War was fought, when in July, 1862, the armies of Generals Lee and McClellan met.

The GRAMMAR GRADES
Seventh, Sixth, Fifth and Fourth Grades

The Primary School
Third, Second and First Grades



Drawing Room at "Shirley"

Carrie Alberta Lyford Home Economics Club

MISS WILLIE LEE TALLEY, *Instructor*

ROLL

Eula Davis
Gertrude Drinker
Florence Osborne
Thelma Perkins
Ruth Sadowsky
Margaret Throckmorton
Julia Wagner
Elizabeth Yahley
Lucile Bowis
Helen Drinker
Lelia Fussell
Ruth Fussell
Margaret Gill
Elinor Whitlock
Carrie Yarbrough

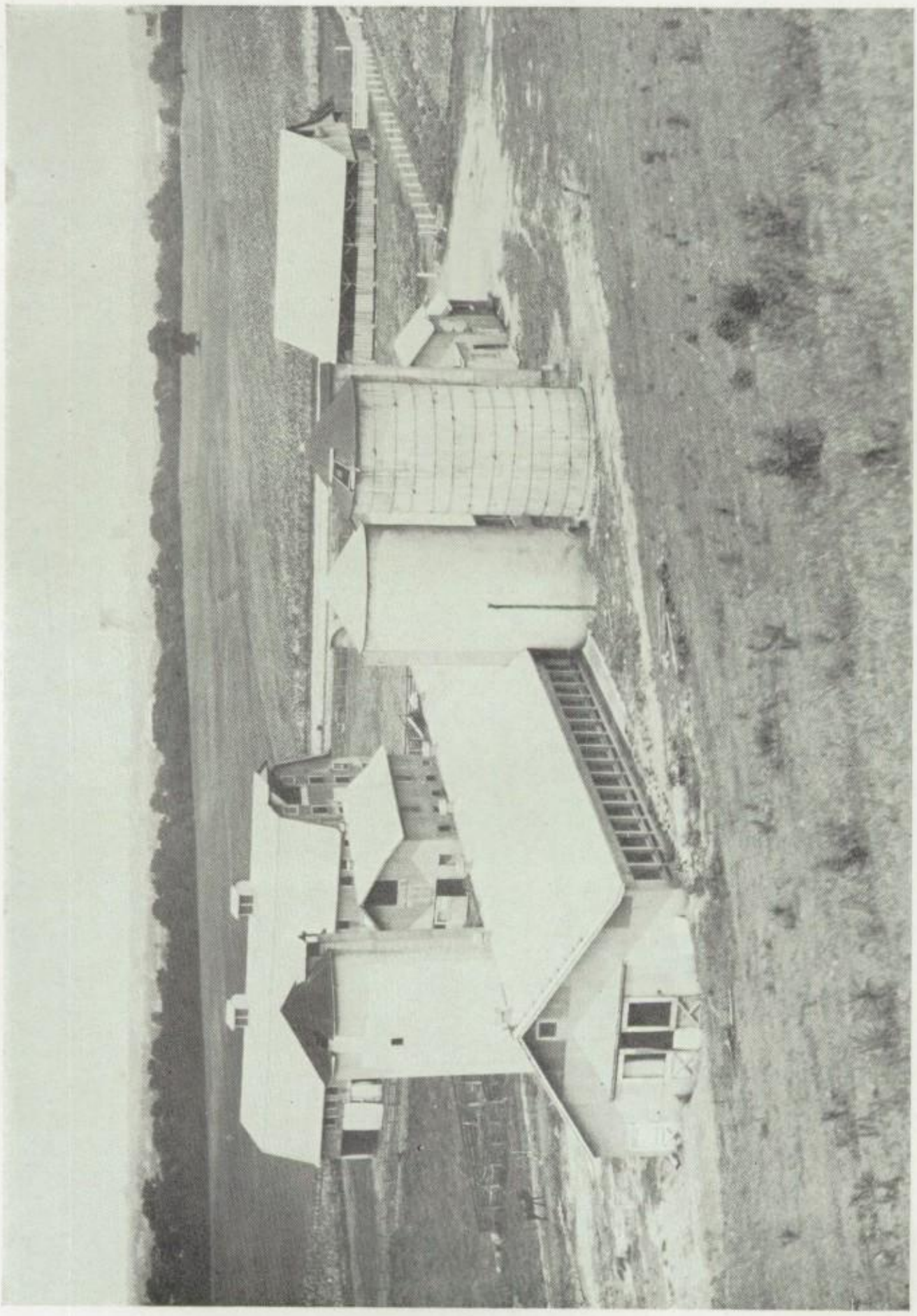
Home Economics Notes

REALIZING that a girl's education is not complete until she has acquired the art of a real home-maker, the Department of Home Economics was established at Varina High School in 1919-20. Since that time the department has grown, and it has been the purpose of the Home Economics Department to develop within the girls a high appreciation for art and home life.

The course in Home Economics trains the girls along the lines of home management, food principles and preparations of clothing and shelter. Then, too, they are taught the art of being a successful hostess, table service and home nursing.

The course in Home Economics has a great deal to do in carrying out one of the main aims of our schools of today; that is, the training for good citizenship. The home is one of the greatest institutions of the nation in which national life is developed. The very foundation of our national life is the home, and if we are to have good citizens, this means good homes and good home-makers. It has been the aim of the Virginia Home Economic Department "To promote and protect health and to produce citizens who will raise the standard of American living."

The cafeteria, which is fostered by the Community League, is under the direction and management of the Home Economics Instructor and high school girls. The results seen in the children who eat in the cafeteria prove that hot lunches are best for the welfare of children, and should be served in every school.



The Dairy Barns at "Tree Hill"

Agriculture

C. C. ABERNATHY, *Instructor*

ROLL

Herbert Baughan
Josiah Fussell
Stanley Fussell
Emmett Holder
Eugene McAnally
Robert Sigmund
Stanley Morawski

Agriculture

C. C. ABERNATHY, *Instructor*

Elwood Alexander
Franklin Childrey
John Dovola
Lewis Durrett
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Hayden Garnett
Eddie Hare
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John Mistr
Winfred Moore
Albert Morawski
Victor Morawski
Floyd Nuttall
Kanstrup Ottesen
John Payne
John Pearman
Beverly Pearman

Agriculture

REALIZING the need of training boys along agricultural lines, the Department of Agriculture was established at Varina seven years ago. The addition of this department was made possible largely by the liberal contributions of the loyal and progressive Varina citizens. Due to the passing of the Smith-Hughes Act in 1917, the expenses of operating the department are paid largely by the Federal and State funds, the county at present paying only one-third.

This department is making agriculture more efficient by offering courses in Plant Production, Horticulture and Rural Engineering, Animal Husbandry, Farm Management and Shop Work. Instruction in these courses is given in the classroom and laboratory. In addition to these, field trips are taken so that the students may study farm problems under existing conditions. The home project, a vital part of each year's work, is carried out by each individual student; this enables the boy, with the help of the instructor, to put into practice the information gained in the classroom.

An agricultural classroom and room for farm shopwork has been added, thus making the facilities for teaching Vocational Agriculture much better. The value of Vocational Agriculture may be judged by the fact that over fifty per cent of the boys in high school have enrolled in this department.

Service by the department has been rendered to the community by selecting and testing seed corn, pruning demonstrations, identifying and giving control measures for plant and animal diseases, recommending most efficient and economical rations for live stock and fertilizers for plants, testing soil for acidity, with recommendations for its correction, and testing milk.

The primary object of the department is to reach and train the farm boy for his future vocation, thus making him a more successful farmer and of more value to the community in which he lives. But do not forget that the department stands ready to help each farmer with his problems. Call on us if we can be of any service.

"SHERWOOD FOREST"

¶ "Sherwood Forest," one of the longest houses in Virginia, was the home of Vice-President and President, John Tyler. This home is situated in Charles City County and is a tribute to the former President.

¶ Tyler became President upon the death of William Henry Harrison, also a native of Charles City. During the latter's occupancy of the presidential chair occurred the only instance in our history where both President and Vice-President came from the same county.

Junior League

Junior League Notes

OUR first Junior League meeting, which was the first regular meeting for election of officers, was held September 18, 1925.

We decided to have the same program system as we had had in preceding years—that is, we had class competition, the winning class being treated by the losers. The Sophomore Class was victorious and was awarded a party.

At Thanksgiving the league sent two delegates to the Junior League Convention at Norfolk. These delegates were able to make such a good report that we were pronounced a banner league.

The organization joined the Red Cross, presented a play, "Virginia's New Car," and conducted a popularity contest, in which Melinda Schuh and Eugene McAnally were successful. We also entered a health contest, established Student Government, and sold Curtis publications for the benefit of the league and annual. The eliminations for the literary contests have been conducted under the auspices of the Junior League.

Summarily, the Junior League holds the student-body together, causing their life at school to be in harmony one with another, while they express their opinions as freely as they wish.

"It'll be Allright"
Wilmer Hedrick

Literary

THE above is a picture of the Varina students who were successful in the County Literary Contest held at Highland Springs on April 16, winning the Literary Cup offered by the County Association. Of the possible 100 points, these pupils scored 45. Gertrude Drinker and Martha Lee Elliott upheld the affirmative side in the debate, defeating the Glen Allen negative. Constance Foxall and Helen Drinker supported the negative, and also defeated the Glen Allen affirmative as well as the Highland Springs affirmative. Florence Osborne and Wilmer Hedrick defeated the other schools of this class, while Herbert Baughan had the same success in the Boys' Reading Contest. Grace Lovejoy scored third place in the reading contest for girls.

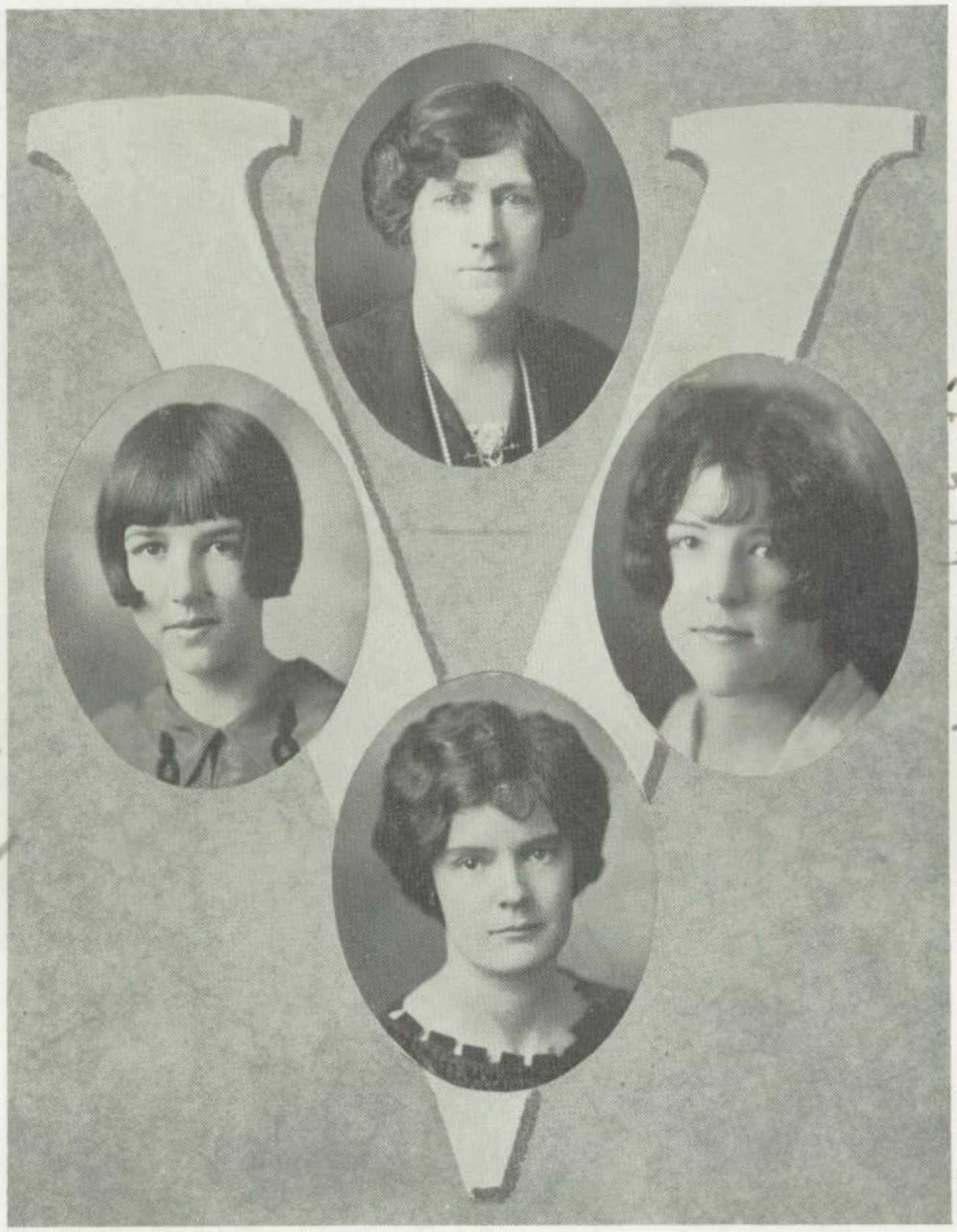
Five of those mentioned above—Helen Drinker, Constance Foxall, Florence Osborne, Wilmer Hedrick and Herbert Baughan—represented our School at the District contest, where they scored more points than any other one school in the district.

These girls also entered the State contest at Charlottesville, making a creditable showing. Of all the girl public speakers of the State, Florence Osborne won the first place in our class.

"BERKELEY"

¶ This large plantation, on the left shore of the James River in Charles City County, was settled about 1620.

¶ At the beginning of the eighteenth century it became the property of the Harrison family. "Berkeley" was the home of Benjamin Harrison, signer of the Declaration of Independence, and in 1773 the birthplace of his son, William Henry Harrison, President of the United States. "Berkeley" was famous in those days as a place of hospitality, and it was said that every President from Washington down to Buchanan was entertained here.

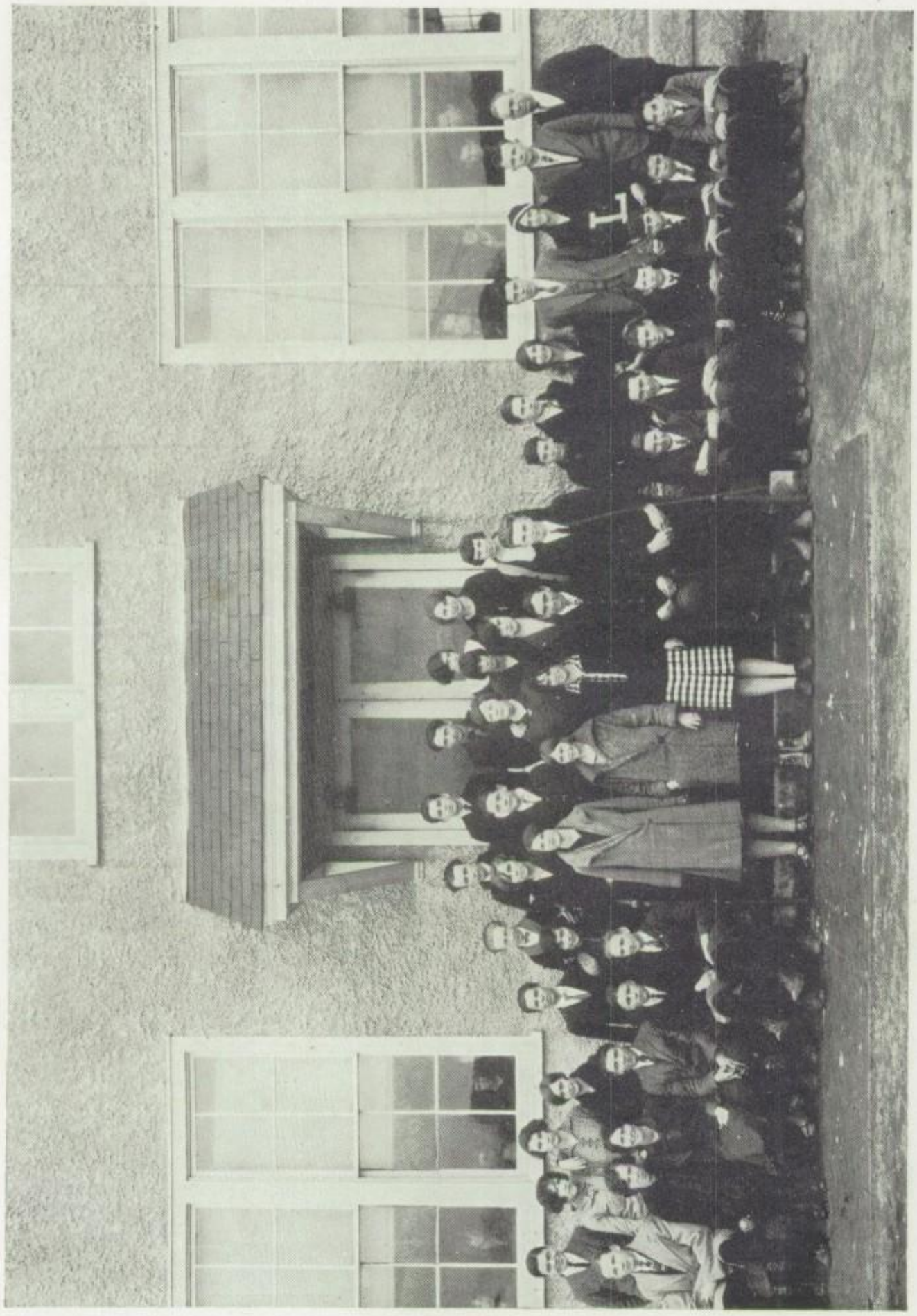


MRS. CARTER HARRISON
Sponsor Baseball

MARGARET REDWOOD
Sponsor Track

MARGARET GILL
Sponsor Basketball

MRS. GEORGE OLIVER
Sponsor Staff



Athletic Association

Girls' Basketball

ELLIOTT

Forward and Captain

Talk about playing ball, but "Blique" can surely do it. She is fast and knows how to put the ball in the basket with ease.

As captain, she has won a place in the heart of every Varina supporter as well as the team. Although she is a star player, she doesn't try to play the entire game by herself. Her passing is quick and sure, and she is always in the place where most needed. "Blique" is usually the most graceful player on the floor.

DRINKER

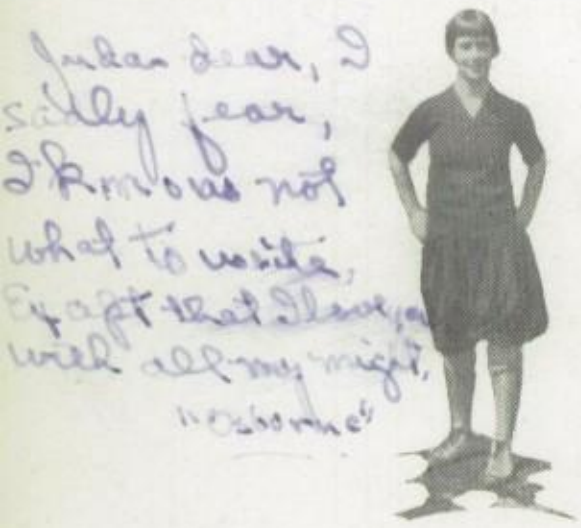
Center

Speed—that's "Happy." Yes, but there are other qualities that must be mentioned. Her agility in jumping was evidenced when, with only a few exceptions, she placed the tip-off where she wanted to. Her pass work, too, was noticeably good. She had a clever running mate in the nimble Ruth and the two worked well together. "Happy" has the Varina spirit that keeps her in the fight every minute.

"Red" Ole Dear don't forget the good hours we have spent together "Hap"

OSBORNE

Guard and Manager



Judas dear, I Sally dear, I know not what to write, Except that I love you with all my might, Osborne

The opponent who faced Florence soon realized that she had a difficult time ahead of her if she were to register any goals. Possessing speed, Florence developed into a strong defensive guard, and allowed her forward few, if any, chances at the basket. Her coolness under fire helped to steady the team, and her aggressive spirit dampened the ardor of the opponents.

SHAW

Forward

"Barb" wins her letter through consistent and dependable work. She played a smooth game in her forward position. Good judgment in her floor work put her in the scoring column often. "Barb" was an accurate shot from the foul line, looping them in time and again. The same brand of work should assure her a place on the team next season.

MILAM

Forward

Elma entered Varina about the middle of the season, but quickly made a place for herself on the regular team. Her elusiveness gave the opposing guard much trouble and her swift passing accounted for many Varina goals. Elma is an aggressive, determined player, and we predict for her a big future as a basketball player. Her accurate shooting in the Highland Springs game was an important factor in giving Varina the victory.

WHITLOCK

Guard

"Elinor" started out this year with little experience, but in a very short time was showing just what she could do. The forward who opposed her found a determination and a skillfulness that was difficult to overcome. Elinor's work in the Elkhardt game was on a par with any display of guarding skill exhibited on the local floor during the season.

L. FUSSELL

Guard

Lelia, always ready to fill a breach, goes into a game with determination and a grim sense of her responsibility. Her guarding was of a good order, especially in the Highland Springs game. Lelia improved steadily throughout the season, and should make an even better showing next year.

R. FUSSELL

Side Center

Ruth was probably the best example of a combination of ability, stick-to-it-ivness and fighting spirit at Varina. Her ability to jump and her speed on the floor offset any disadvantage in stature. Ruth was in the game every minute and always left her opponents in the shade. Her pass work steadily improved throughout the season.

Summary of Girls' Basketball

AT the beginning of the 1925-26 basketball season it looked as if the prospects for a good team were very poor, as Florence Osborne was the only one back from last year's team. However, we were very fortunate in getting two new players, who have been a great asset to our team.

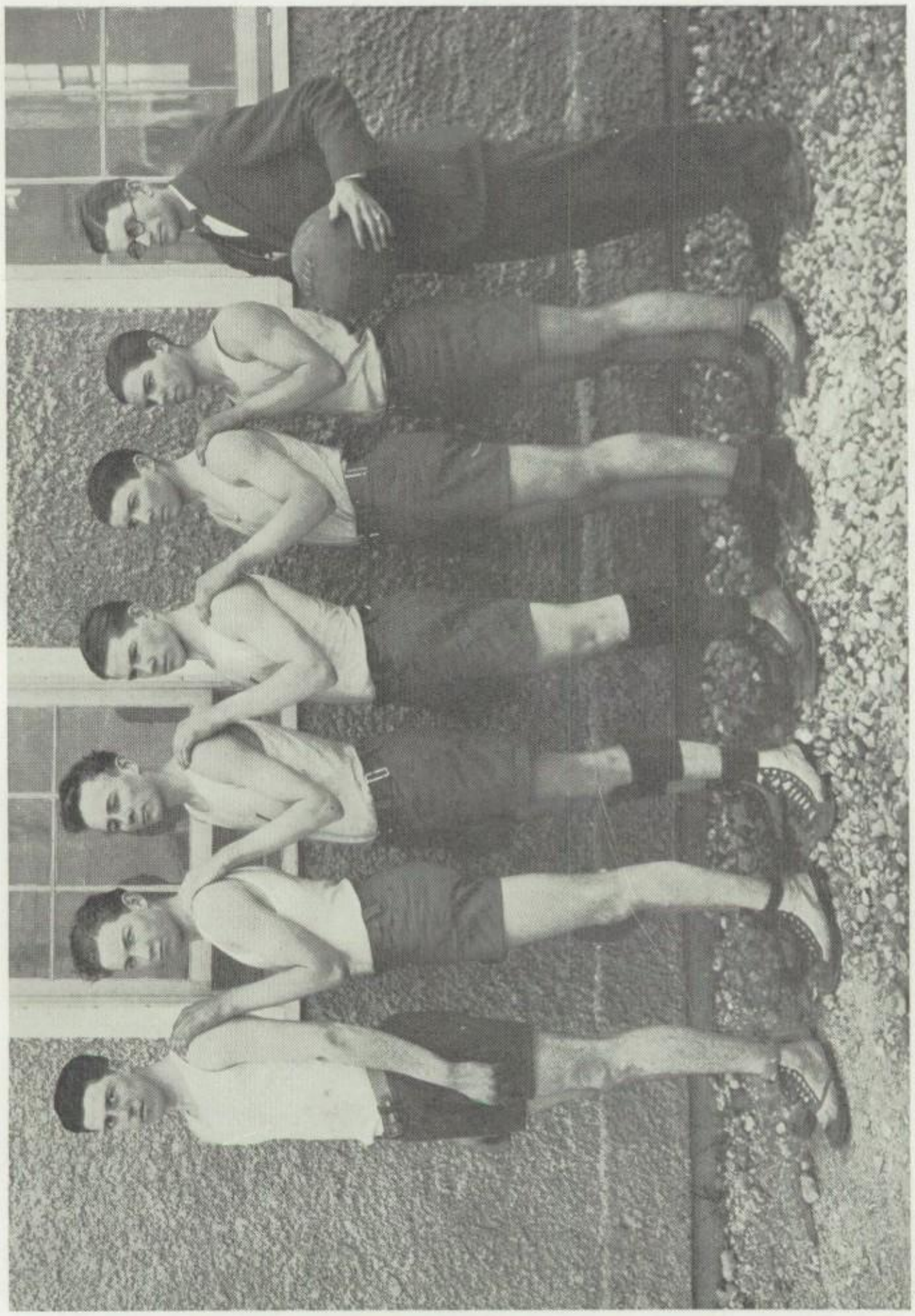
The girls showed greater interest in basketball this year than ever before. Girls from every class reported for practice.

With a green team, we lost the first few games, but with hard work and the help of our capable coach, Miss Taylor, we developed a winning team, which won both games against Highland Springs for the first time in five years.

Our success was due to teamwork, rather than any individual, although Captain Elliott deserves great credit for her consistently brilliant game and for the real qualities of leadership she showed.

As we are losing only one member of the squad, we ought to have an unusually good team next year.

Varina	8	Atlee	26
Varina	12	Charles City	21
Varina	12	Atlee	22
Varina	16	Charles City	17
Varina	18	Midlothian	15
Varina	37	Toana	6
Varina	27	Toana	14
Varina	31	Elkhardt	34
Varina	26	Elkhardt	20
Varina	45	Cardwell	3
Varina	43	Midlothian	7
Varina	38	Highland Springs	27
Varina	41	Highland Springs	37
Varina	14	Ashland	32
Varina	26	Ashland	15
Total	394	Total	296



Boys' Basketball Team

Boys' Basketball

McCANN

Guard and Captain

"Tinny's" varied attack on the offensive and his consistent playing on the defense have won for him the reputation of an almost unconquerable opponent. As captain he has led his team thru a most successful year. In addition to playing a wonderful game at guard, he led his team in total points scored. Without exception, "Tinny" is one of the best all-round players Varina has ever had.

FUSSELL, J.

Forward

As manager of this year's team, Josiah arranged the hardest schedule we've had for years. Not satisfied with only arranging games, he decided to help win them, and secured for himself a forward position. In spite of his small size, Josiah was mixed up in every play, and was not lacking in points scored.

FUSSELL, S.

Stationary Guard

Stanley, a sturdy guard, could be depended upon to display a good game of basketball. His close guarding kept his opposing forward at a great disadvantage and made them attempt many difficult shots that were unsuccessful. To him goes a great deal of credit of the small scores made by some of the opposing teams.

McANALLY

Forward

Although "Mac" never took much interest in Basketball until his Senior year, he proved to be a good forward, scoring second most points for the year. You can always depend upon "Mac" to score when he has the ball and is near the basket.

HICKAM

Center

"Hick," in the first game, showed wonderful ability at center, besides securing most of the tip-offs, he was fast on the floor and a good scorer. Due to an accident, he was unable to play in the mid-season games, but returned to his old post during the latter part of the season, and showed us he had not lost the knack of playing ball.

REYNOLDS

Guard and Center

A hard fighter, steady player, and ability to follow the ball, are the three most important qualities of "Hobby." At center he displayed wonderful floor and team work; at stationary guard he could always be depended upon to break up the plays of the opponent and get the ball into his own territory.

FRAYSER

Guard

Frayser was a whirlwind on the offensive. Although the smallest man on the team he held his own and could break up the hardest plays of his opponents. If he grows a little more, he will make someone work hard for a place on the team next year.

The UNCONQUERABLE "SUBS"

Few realize the knocks, bruises and hardships these men had to undergo. To these "Subs" goes a large part of the credit for the successful season. Without them we could have had no real practice. Such men as Yeary, Moore, Mistr, Hedrick, Nuttall and others will bear watching in the future.

Summary of Boys' Basketball

AT the first call for practice only three letter men, McCann, Osborne, and J. Fussell reported. However, when practice got under way it was seen that competition for places on the team would be very keen. With the hard practice by the boys and the splendid coaching by Mr. Abernathy a well-rounded quint was developed. McAnally and J. Fussell as forwards; Hickam and Reynolds as centers; S. Fussell, Captain McCann, Frayser and Osborne as guards, showed ability on the court and developed into outstanding players. The value of Captain McCann to the team is shown by his score of one hundred and forty-eight points during the season. Manager J. Fussell at all times displayed excellent floor work, while McAnally accounted for one hundred and thirty-one points, playing stationary forward. Due to this fast, smoothly-working and aggressive team, Varina was able to win 13 of her 14 high school games.

This is a record unequaled by any team Varina has ever had, as shown by the following scores:

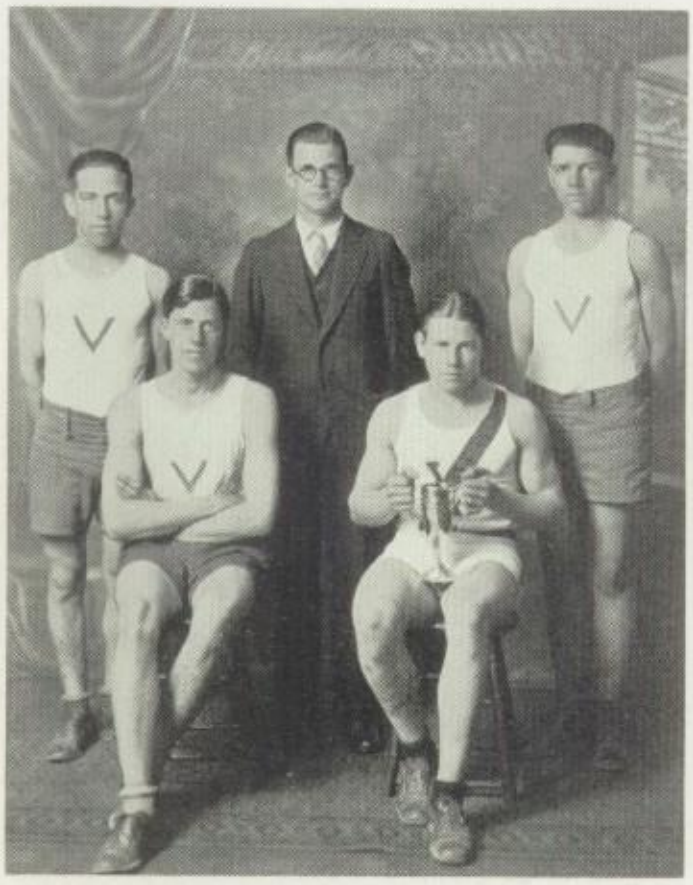
Varina	23	Atlee	9
Varina	19	Charles City	5
Varina	27	Atlee	14
Varina	30	Toana	16
Varina	32	Charles City	5
Varina	19	Midlothian	4
Varina	18	Toana	8
Varina	24	Manchester Dist.	21
Varina	31	Manchester Dist.	6
Varina	25	Cardwell	6
Varina	32	Midlothian	24
Varina	27	Highland Springs	19
Varina	40	Highland Springs	31
Varina	38	Cumberland	17
Varina	12	South Hill	35
Total	397	Total	220

Baseball Notes

WHEN spring opened and the call was issued for baseball candidates, only four letter men appeared in the number. McCann, Lipford, J. Fussell and S. Fussell were the only men of last year's team who were in the school. Interest in baseball is greater than in any previous year. Twenty to twenty-five boys are reporting daily for practice. Many are promising players, and competition is raging high for the places on the team. With a little more "seasoning" these men should develop into a well-rounded team. Manager Lipford is arranging a schedule that will surely test the strength of the team, and will call for good all-round playing if they finish the season with their share of victories.

The following men are showing up well at the various positions:

Pitchers—Hines, McAnally, Nuttall
First Base—Shiffler
Shortstop—McCann
Catchers—S. Fussell, Durrett
Second Base—J. Fussell, Mistr
Third Base—Captain Lipford
Outfielders—Nuttall, Becker, Reynolds, Garnett



Track Notes

WHEN the call was issued for trackmen, only two of last year's men reported for practice. It was not long, however, before a number of boys were working daily for places on the team. The competition was keen and interest was greater than ever before. "Tinny" McCann was elected captain and led his team through a very successful year.

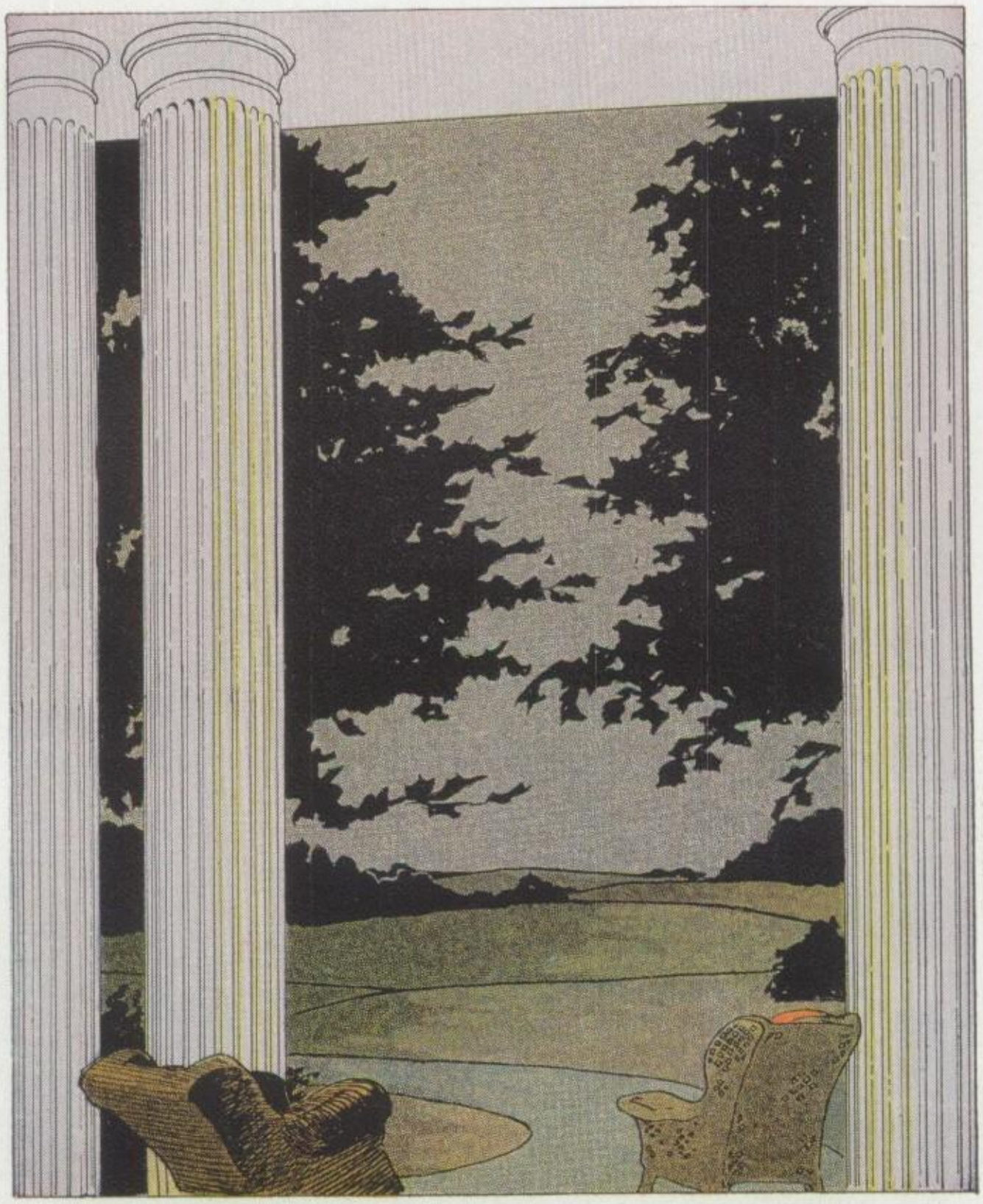
Varina opened the season by winning the county track meet held at Highland Springs, April 16th. Due to the ability of Captain McCann, Hickam, Reynolds, S. Fussell, J. Fussell and Lipford, we were able to take every first place and several second, third and fourth places for a total score of 54. Highland Springs was second with 31, and Glen Allen third with 12.

The following week the team entered the Agricultural High School meet at Blacksburg. Here we won seventh place among a list of twenty-two schools.

Due to the fact that we won the county meet, we were entitled to represent Henrico County at the District "C" contest held at Hampden-Sidney. In this meet the team showed up very well, winning with 36 points, the nearest opponent having only 13 points. Hickam was the high point man of the meet, winning 16 points; McCann was second with 15 points, while the other members of the team made a very good showing.

Being so successful at Hampden-Sidney, our team went on to Charlottesville to compete in the State meet. At this time we were representing the twenty-one counties of District "C." We were quite successful at this meet, the team winning third place among the Class "C" schools of the State.

As we are losing only one of our team, the prospects for next year are brighter, and we hope to have another successful year.



SOCIAL NEWS

Social News

A Visit from Miss Stone

During the week of October 8th to the 16th, Miss Elsie Stone, our former Home Economics instructor, visited our school. The Home Economics class gave a surprise party in her honor. The guests, besides Miss Stone, included the faculty and members of the Home Economics Club.

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Hallowe'en Party

The Senior Class of Varina School gave a Hallowe'en party on October 30th for the benefit of the annual. Due to the bad weather a very small crowd attended. However, those who were present had a most enjoyable evening.

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Christmas Cantata

On December 22, 1925, a Christmas cantata was presented by students of Varina School at a meeting of the Varina Community League. Every grade in the school was represented on this program, and apples were given out in the audience. In spite of the unpleasant weather, a large crowd attended this entertainment.

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Silver Tea

On January 13th, a Silver Tea was given at Varina High School for the benefit of The Carrie Alberta Lyford Club. Refreshments were served by the Home Economic classes.

There was a good attendance, and everybody seemed to enjoy the occasion.

"Virginia's New Car"

On February 5th, the Junior League of Varina High School presented a very interesting play entitled *Virginia's New Car.*

A popularity contest which was in progress at this time closed at 10 o'clock that night, with Melinda Schuh as winner of the girls, and Eugene McAnally as winner of the boys. They were both presented with a prize.

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Highland Springs Play

The Senior Class of Highland Springs presented a play at Varina on February 12th, entitled *"The Bashful Mr. Bobbs."* Being humorous, everyone enjoyed it. Refreshments were sold and proceeds went to the annual.

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Junior-Senior Party

The Junior Class of Varina entertained the Seniors on March 17th at a St. Patrick's Party. Everyone enjoyed playing the interesting games, and the evening passed pleasantly for all.

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"The Arrival of Kitty"

The Arrival of Kitty, a farce in three acts, was presented in the school auditorium by Varina players, on March 19th. A large crowd was present to see Kitty arrive—Mr. Abernathy, playing a double role, took the part of Kitty and Bobbie Baxter. All the characters were well selected, and everyone present thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

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Karl Jansen visited Varina on September 29, and entertained us with a portrayal of *Macbeth,* from Shakespeare. Everyone present enjoyed the program.

Alumni Notes

ANY school is proud of its products, but the alumnae of Varina is a source of especial joy to her Alma Mater as we continually learn of the good and honorable positions they are filling out in the rough old world.

Upon reading the following you may see for yourself that we may justly be proud of them:

The Class of 1916—Miss Susie Wilson, now Mrs. Lyne Burke, had the honor of being the only student to graduate from Varina in 1916. She later entered the bonds of matrimony.

The Class of '17 was composed entirely of girls. Two of this class have taken teaching as their profession. Miss Ethel Beavers and Miss Margaret Haycox, now Mrs. James Conway. Misses Selena Beasley, Ruth Fortna, Marion Garnett and Virginia Nelson entered the business world, while Misses Elsie Feise (Mrs. Williams), Elizabeth Miller (Mrs. Frank Aigner, Jr.), and Evelyn Rennie (Mrs. Stone), entered the field of matrimony.

In '18 there were only three graduates, all of whom took the marriage vows. Miss Esther Dorey (Mrs. Lloyd Beasley) and Miss Lavelon Dupuy (Mrs. N. I. Johnson); Mr. John Jester entered the business world.

In '19 the class was the same in number as the previous year. All of these, Miss Mary Davis (now Mrs. Barlowe), Miss Lillian Redwood (Mrs. Davenport) and Miss Emma Wade (Mrs. C. B. Harrison, Jr.) have entered married life.

The class of '20 was larger than ever before, numbering seven girls and two boys.

The two boys, Mr. Sanford Alexander and Mr. Harry Haycox, have become engaged in the farm and business world, respectively. Three of the girls, Misses Bernice Blankenship, Marie Fortna and

Jeannette Kirby, have gone into business, while Misses Naomi Kirby, Dorothy Vanderoff and Ethel Hedrick are teaching. Ethel liked Varina so well, she is here teaching the fifth grade. Miss Inus Hickam (now Mrs. David Fletcher), is the only one in this class for whom the wedding bells have sounded.

The nine members of the class of '21 are very successfully performing the following duties of life: Miss Gertrude Barlowe, business; Mr. Franklin Bernheisel, studying at N. C. State; Mr. Benjamin Harrison, studying at V. P. I.; Misses Catherine Dew and Byrd Nelson, teaching; Mr. Randolph R. Harrison, business; Mr. Alfred Mistr, farmer; Miss Elizabeth Stoneman, social service, and Miss Jessie Kessler, married life. Jessie married her classmate, Randolph Harrison.

The class of '22 was thirteen strong. Lucky or unlucky, as it may be, four girls and two boys of this class are married, namely, Misses Estelle Fussell (Mrs. Reuben Snell), Marion Lanham (Mrs. Britton), Mary Martin (Mrs. Taylor), Ellen Strath (Mrs. Banks), Russell Hill and Lacy Hedrick. Russell and Lacy are engaged in the business world.

Others engaged in business are: Messrs. Harry Barlowe, Chaning Glenn and Miss May Patterson. Misses Blanche Henderson and Aline Timberlake are public school teachers, while Helen Rood is a music teacher. Mr. Robert Mann is a student in ministry at Richmond College.

Fifteen promising girls and boys graduated from Varina in '23. They have all prospered, eight having entered the business world, namely; Misses Catherine Bernheisel, Gladys Fisher, Lorraine Johnson, Ruby Patterson and Messrs. Richard Fussell, Randolph Harrison, Charles Jefferson and William Lanham; five became teachers—Misses Nettie Eberley, Sallie Brackett, Hattie Childrey, Olive Hall and Cecil McCollister. The Twins, Edwin and Alvin Mistr, are still on the farm.

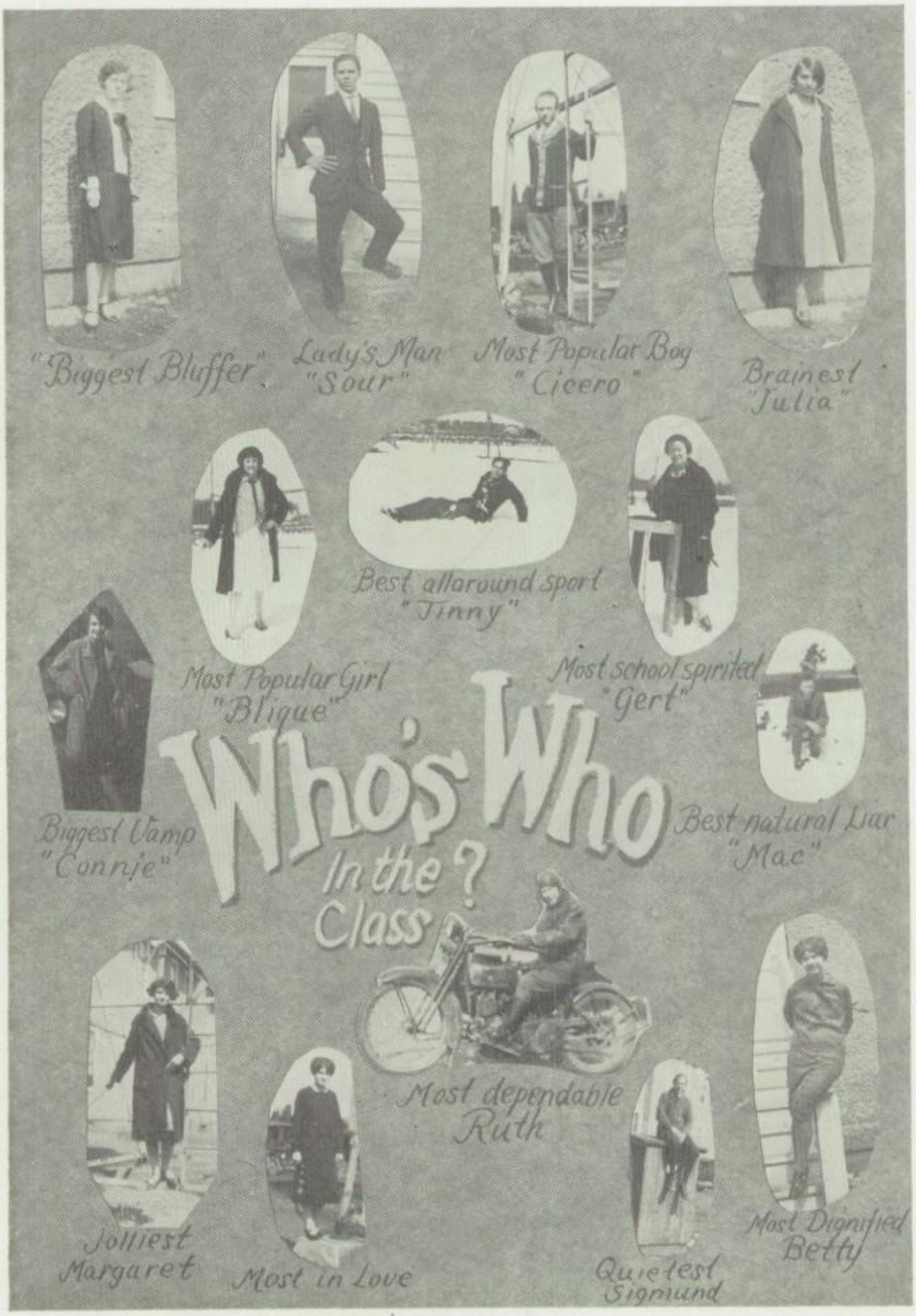
The class of '24 is the largest class that has yet graduated from Varina. There were 19 in number. William Attkisson, and Doris Rathein are attending the college of William and Mary, while Berkeley Fussell is studying at V. P. I. Misses Marie Baughman, Elma Fussell, Thelma Goodman, Isabelle Hall, Esther Hines, Gertrude Throckmor-

ton and Messrs. Clarence Crouch, Charles Whitlock, Benjamin Hubbard and Orville Frick, are engaged in business. Those who found home the best place after all, are Misses Rosa Barnett, Gladys Davis, Mabel Drinker, Ruby Durrett and Lola Martin. Ruth Murphy entered the bonds of matrimony; she is now Mrs. J. R. Hall, Jr.

The class of '25, like that of '24, was nineteen in number. Eight of the nineteen have entered the business world. They are: Misses Madeline Becker, Rosylyn McCann and Messrs. Willis Throckmorton, James Childrey, Albert Hare, Thaddeus Morawski, John Nelson and Frank Yahley. Misses Mary Garland Stoneman, Margaret Cousins, and Mr. Will Beadles are attending business college. Misses Bernetta Wagner and Mamie Canfield are attending Averett College; Miss Rachel Mistr is studying at Richmond Normal School; Mr. Forrest Hedrick is studying at V. P. I.; Miss Isabelle Whitlock is studying nursing; Miss Virginia Adams and Messrs. Garland Osborne and Wills Fussell found "Home, Sweet Home" the best place of all.

A large number of our Alumnae are leading happy, useful married lives, as will be seen by the following snapshots of their children. We are sorry that in spite of our efforts it was impossible to obtain pictures of all these coming young citizens.

George and Ruby Lee Johnson
Mary Garland Banks
Agnes Aigner
Russell Hill Jr
Robert Harrison
Emily Burke
Emma Fletcher
Frances Lee Hedrick
Willson Harrison
Bassel Harrison Jr.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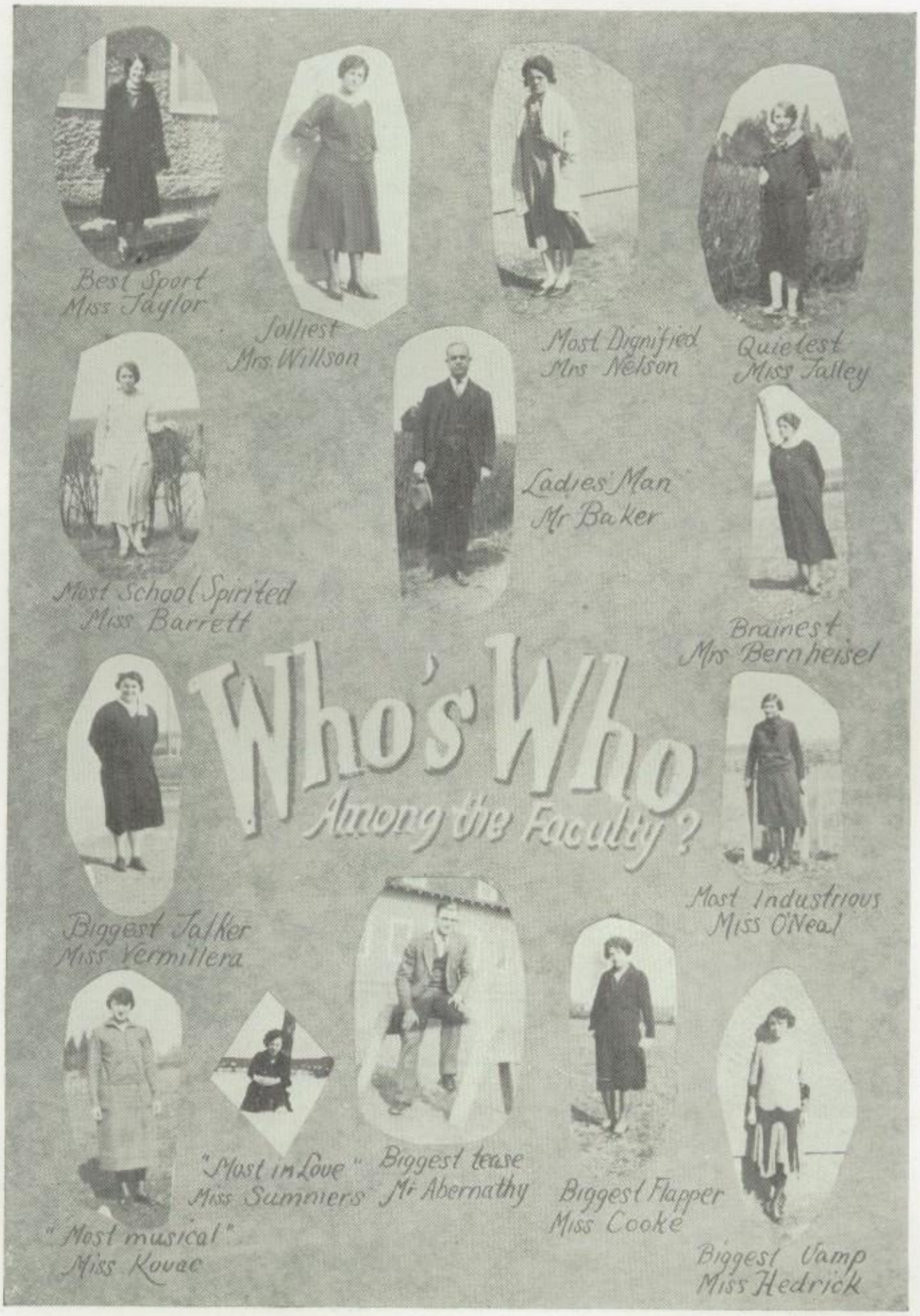
Lady's Man
"Sour"
Most Popular Boy
"Cicero"
Brainest
"Julia"
Best allaround sport
"Jinny"
Most Popular Girl
"Blique"
Most school spirited
"Gert"
Biggest Vamp
"Connie"
Who's Who
In the ?
Class
Best natural Liar
"Mac"
Most dependable
Ruth
Jolliest
Margaret
Most in Love
Quietest
Sigmund
Most Dignified
Betty


Best Sport
Miss Taylor
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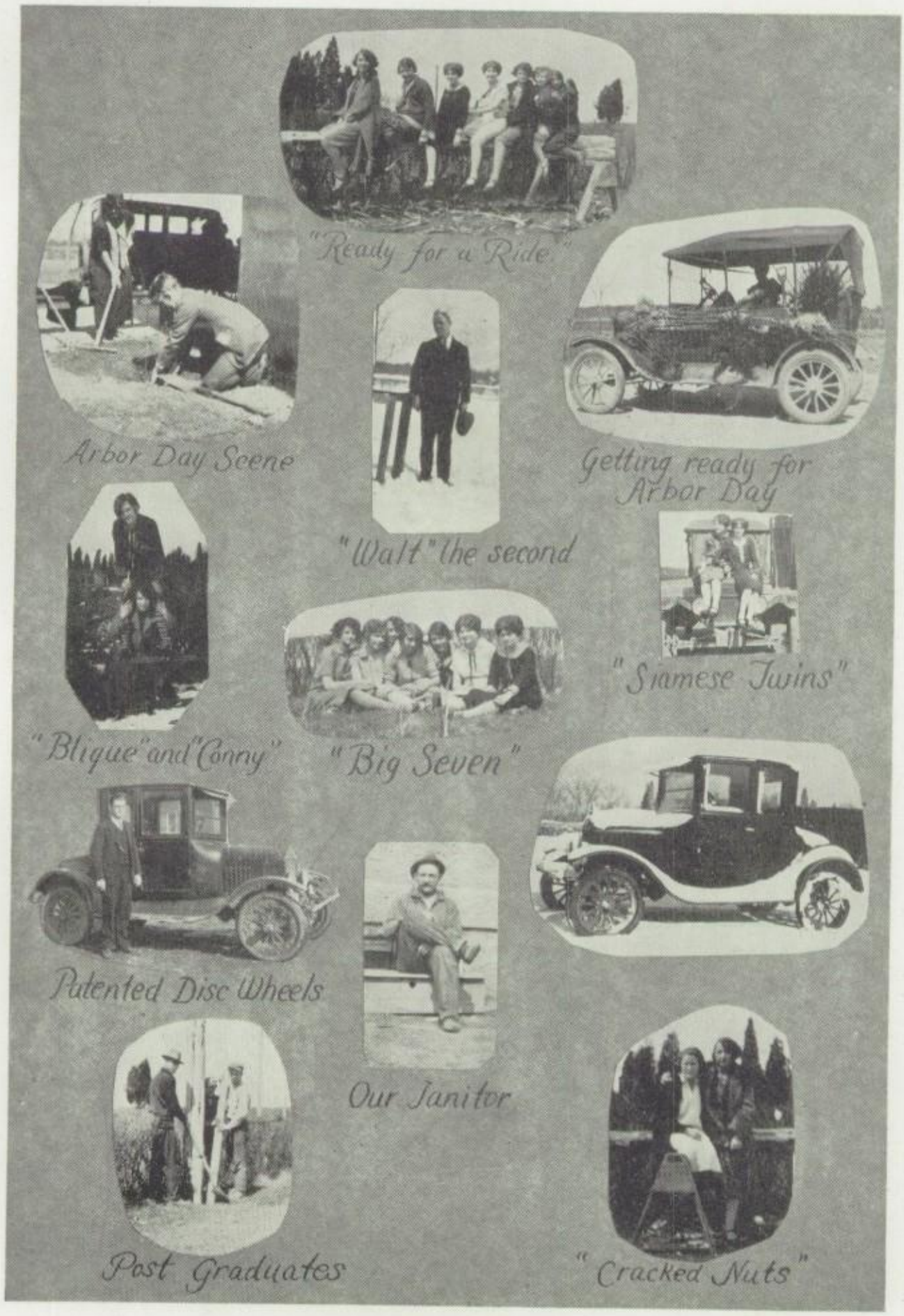
Mrs. Willson
Most Dignified
Mrs Nelson
Quietest
Miss Talley
Most School Spirited
Miss Barrett
Ladies' Man
Mr Baker
Brainest
Mrs Bernheisel
Who's Who
Among the Faculty?
Most Industrious
Miss O'Neal
Biggest Talker
Miss Vermillera
"Most musical"
Miss Kovac
"Most in Love"
Miss Summers
Biggest tease
Mr Abernathy
Biggest Flapper
Miss Cooke
Biggest Vamp
Miss Hedrick

"Ready for a Ride."
Arbor Day Scene
"Walt" the second
Getting ready for Arbor Day
"Siamese Twins"
"Blique" and "Conny"
"Big Seven"
Patented Disc Wheels
Our Janitor
Post Graduates
"Cracked Nuts"

Class Calendar

September **14**—School started.
16—Books—went to work.
17—Senior Class organized, Annual Staff selected.
19—Junior League organized.
22—Athletic Association organized.
29—Karl Jansen entertainment.
October **2**—First Junior League program—Seniors shine.
7—Senior rings ordered.
8-16—Miss Stone visited us.
30—Hallowe'en Party. Oh, how it rained!
November **2**—Rings came.
4—Annual contract signed.
9—Girls Basketball team defeated Toana.
16-20—American Education week observed.
(?)—Miss Summers birthday.
23—Mrs. Oliver taught. Miss Summers went to see her brother (?).
26-27—Thanksgiving Holidays.
29—Carl "broke" his neck.
December **14**—Carl returned.
17—Explosion in Chemistry.
21-22—Former students visited us.
22—Christmas program.
Dec. 23-Jan. **4**—Christmas Holidays.
January **13**—Silver Tea for Home Economics class.
13—Boys Basketball team defeated Community team 28-18!
29—Both Basket ball teams defeated Highland Springs teams.
Jan. 28-Feb. **1**—Exams.
February **5**—"Virginia's New Car" presented by high school students.
12—"The Bashful Mr. Bobbs" presented by Highland Springs Students.
12—Student Government adopted.
19—Both Basketball teams defeated Highland Springs the second time.
March **2-8**—Magazine week observed.
8—Invitations selected.
17—Juniors entertain Seniors.
19—"Arrival of Kitty" presented by Varina players.
22—Miss Summers arrives with a DIAMOND!
24—Arbor day.
26—Ruth forgot her skirt.
27—Annual goes to press.

"Smile Awhile"

"No matter how mannish the modern girl grows,
She never gets past powdering her nose."

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WILMER—"Malinda, let me kiss your hand just once."
MALINDA—"It's lots easier for me to remove my veil than my glove."

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PETE—"Alberta, I'll give you a pretty pin if you'll go out of the room and leave Miss Summers and me alone."
ALBERTA—"I don't want a pretty pin."
PETE—"Well, what do you want?"
ALBERTA—"I wanta watch."

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SALESMAN—"Mr. Baker, let me urge you to buy one of our memory training courses."

MR. BAKER—"Why my memory is perfect. What do I want with a memory training course? The only three things I can't remember are: where I leave my hat, the lesson assignment, and, and, and I've forgotten what the third one is."

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Hick was driving his Ford around a very dangerous mountain road, Hobson happened to be with him and both were very much interested in the scenery, but Hick spied a very pretty little flapper and was not noticing what he was doing. Hobson said, "Watch out there, Hick, you will run over that cliff," Hick responded, "Oh! I thought you were driving."

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In Emmett's excitement in kissing Ella he kissed her on her chin instead of her mouth. Ella quickly responded, "Heaven's above."

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One night Eugene went over to Eula's home, Eula quickly came out all dressed up, Eugene opened the door of his roadster and said, "Come on let's take a ride."

"Well, oh, uh, I can't go, John is in the house. You didn't have a date with me anyhow, you had one with Constance."

"Oh phaw! I have so many I get them all mixed up."

HOBSON—"Give me a ten-letter word meaning 'HOLDUP'."
HICK—"Huh, that's easy, 'SUSPENDERS'."

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MRS. DRINKER (after having her daughter's voice tried)—"And now professor, how much will it cost to have my daughter's voice trained?"
PROFESSOR—"That, madam, depends upon your neighbors."

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HARRY BARLOW (calling at the Courthouse and stammeringly asking for a license)—"Hunting license?" inquired the clerk.
"Oh, no," said Harry, "I have been hunting long enough. I want to get married."

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MRS. FUSSELL—"Where have you been John?"
JOHN—"Playing ball."
MRS. FUSSELL (severely)—"But I told you to beat the rug, didn't I?"
JOHN—"No, ma'am, you told me to hang the rug on the line, and then beat it."

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Miss Talley, the young bride, looked very sad as she sliced the mince pie before her husband. "I planned to have some sponge cake, dear, but it was a total failure."
"How was that?" hubby asked in a disappointed tone, for he was fond of sponge cake.
"The druggist," she explained, "sent me the wrong kind of sponges."

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AGENT—"Now that your children go to school you ought to buy them an encyclopedia."
MR. PERKINS—"Buy them an encyclopedia? Hanged if I do," was his reply. "Let them walk like I did."

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MRS. BLANTON—"Daisy, have you given the gold fish fresh water today?"
DAISY—"No, mum, they ain't finished that what I gave them yesterday."

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MR. ABERNATHY—"How much for this house?"
OWNER—"Well, $1,000 down."
MR. ABERNATHY—"Yes, but I wanted to buy the upstairs too."

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MR. BAKER—"What can you tell me about nitrates?"
THELMA—"Well-er-they're a lot cheaper than day rates."

Sodium in the sink,
Phosphorous on the floor;
Mr. Baker stepped on it,
And now his hand is sore.

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MRS. HARRISON—"Here, look what you did."
LAUNDRY MAN—"I can't see anything wrong with that lace."
MRS. HARRISON—"Lace? Why man, that was a sheet."

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Robert Francis was walking down the lane with Virginia Nelson when he saw a cow and calf rubbing noses in deepest affection. "Look," said Robert, "isn't it wonderful? Makes me feel like doing the same thing."

"Go ahead if you want to," said Virginia. "The cow belongs to father."

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MISS O'NEAL—"If you don't stop talking I'll take your name."

WARREN (at recess)—"Don't you know my teacher threatened to marry me if I didn't stop talking?"

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CRITICAL PATRON (noticing slightly intoxicated man)—"Do you allow drunks at this dance?"

CHAPERONE (low voice)—"It's all right as long as you don't get too noisy."

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MISS TALLEY—"Your answer is as clear as mud."
ELIZABETH—"Well, that covers the ground doesn't it?"

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COP—"Why didn't you stop back there when I yelled?"

MR. HEDRICK (with great presence of mind)—"I thought you said, 'Hello, Senator'."

COP—"Well, you see, Senator, I was going to warn you about going too fast in the next town."

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MR. BAKER—"Can you prove that the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the square of the other two sides of this triangle?"

TINNY—"I don't have to prove it, I admit it."

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RAT—"Why are men bald-headed?"
SOPH—"Can grass grow through concrete?"

"John dear," began Martha Lee tearfully, "breakfast is on the table, but—but—isn't it too annoying? Look at these biscuits!"

"Why," exclaimed John in surprise, "they aren't cooked at all."

"I know it, dear; that's just it; and I put lots of baking powder in them, too."

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REG. NELSON (in angry tones)—"Who told you to put that paper on my wall?"

DECORATOR—"Your wife, sir."

REG.—"Pretty, isn't it?"

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ROBERT—"I wonder how old Miss Summers is?"

TINNY—"I don't know, they say she used to teach Caesar."

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EULA—"He says he thinks I'm the nicest girl in the county. Shall I ask him to call?"

MRS. DAVIS—"No dear, let him keep on thinking so."

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SALESMAN—"Now I throw in the clutch."

MISS TAYLOR—"Good, I knew you would throw in something if I waited long enough."

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FRANK—"A kiss speaks volumes."

THELMA—"Are you collecting a library?"

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ABBIE—"I notice you are not eating much candy nowadays."

PEGGY—"No, I've pretty nearly gotten out of the habit since I've been going with you."

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MISS O'NEAL—"Did Caesar win that battle?"

VIRGINIA NELSON—"Sure, Caesar wrote the book."

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MISS TAYLOR (pointing to a haystack)—"What kind of a house is that?"

MR. ABERNATHY—"That's not a house, it's a haystack."

MISS TAYLOR—"Say! You can't fool me, hay doesn't grow in a lump like that."

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SOPH—"But I don't think I deserve an absolute zero."

MISS O'NEAL—"Neither do I, but it's the lowest mark I'm allowed to give."

MISS SUMMERS (the day after Easter holidays)—"Mr. Baker, may I have three more days off from work?"

MR. BAKER—"Why, you've just had your Easter holidays, why do you want any more time?"

MISS SUMMERS—"I want to get married?"

MR. BAKER—"Why didn't you get married during Easter?"

MISS SUMMERS—"I didn't want to spoil my holidays."

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EUGENE—"I'm not going to marry a girl who can't take a joke."

CONNY—"Don't worry, that's the only kind of a girl you'll get."

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MR. BAKER—"Miss Summers, I'm going to town today, didn't you say you wanted me to get a bald-headed wig to use in the play."

MISS SUMMERS—"Yes, Sir."

MR. BAKER—"Well then, what color hair do you want on it?"

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NEIGHBOR—"I understand Forrest has gotten his 'B.A.' and 'M.A.' degree."

MR. HEDRICK—"That is so, but it is still his 'P.A.' that supports him."

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HERBERT (entering room and not noticing Miss Summers)—"Hey, there Eugene!"

MISS SUMMERS—"The young man who is calling for his breakfast may leave the room until he has been fed."

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MISS TALLEY—"Raymond, what great change took place during the World War?"

RAYMOND—"Pa bought Ma a new washboard."

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IN A FRESHMAN'S EYES

"A Senior stood on the railroad track,
The train was coming fast;
The train got off the railroad track
To let the Senior pass."

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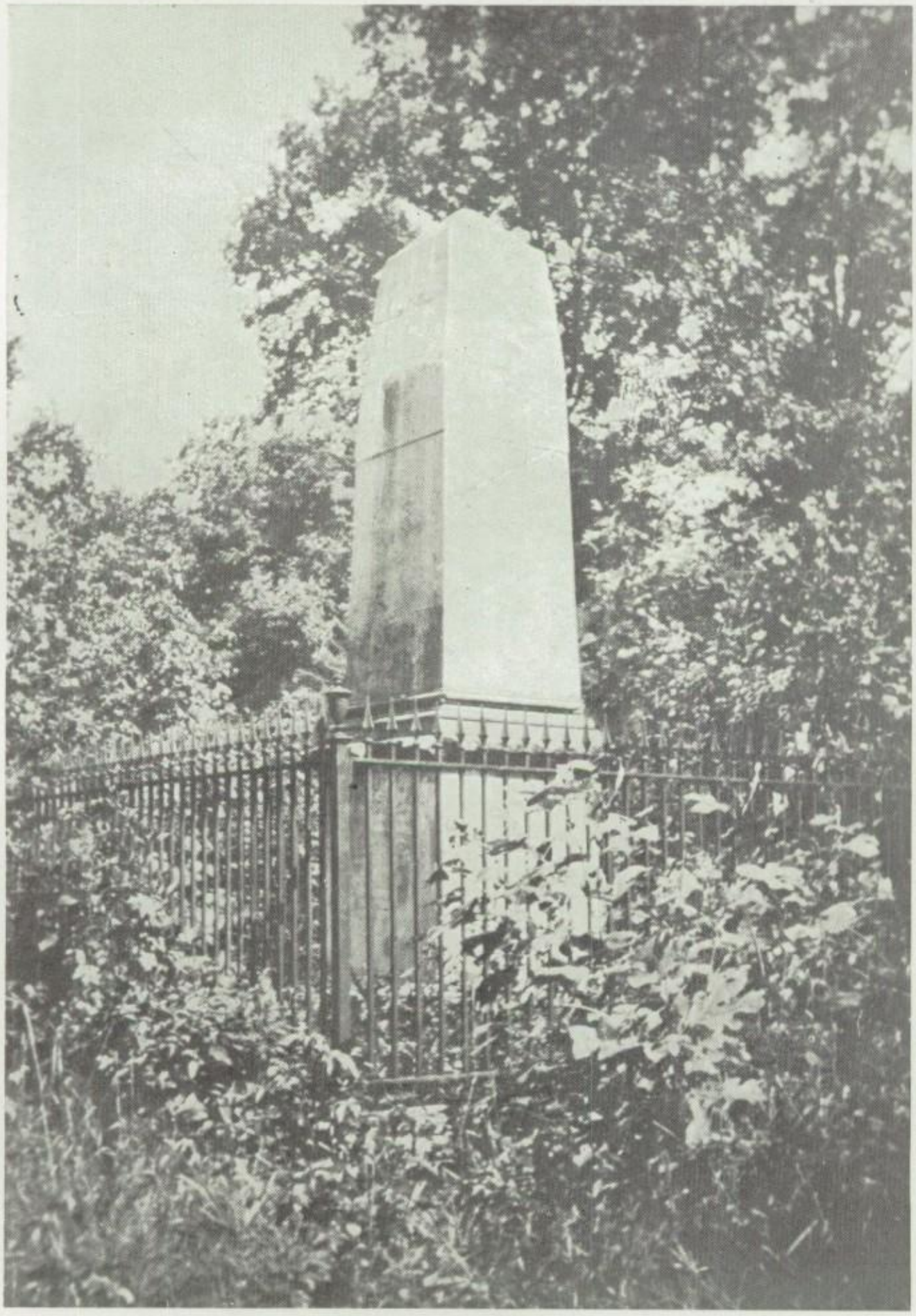
Many people came out to congratulate the blue ribbon winners and to enjoy the fellowship of all those who were interested in the development of Henrico resources.

The tournament, held the first day of the fair, proved to be as popular as ever, and was witnessed by a record crowd. The Varina Band furnished music the first night, and on the second night a minstrel show was given by them.

The County Fair is doing a great work in the development of a higher quality of farm products and live stock. It should grow and become bigger and better each year if every one interested in Henrico's development will co-operate.

For information see C. C. Abernathy, Business Manager, or talk to any progressive farmer.

The next fair will be held September 23rd and 24th on the new fair grounds recently purchased in front of Varina Agricultural High School.



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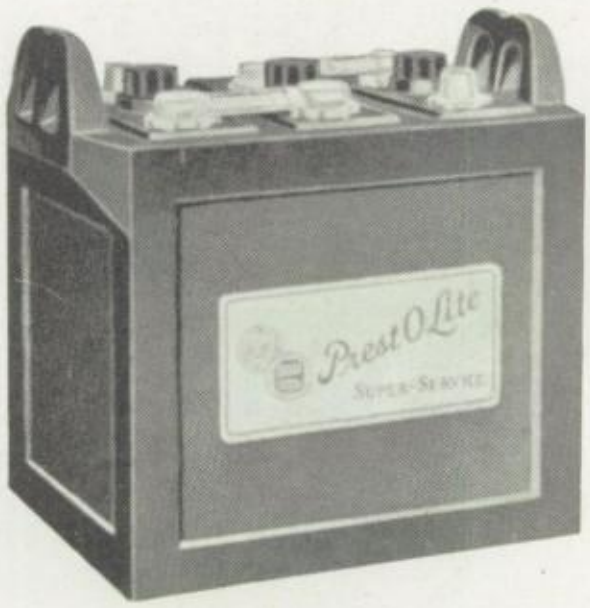

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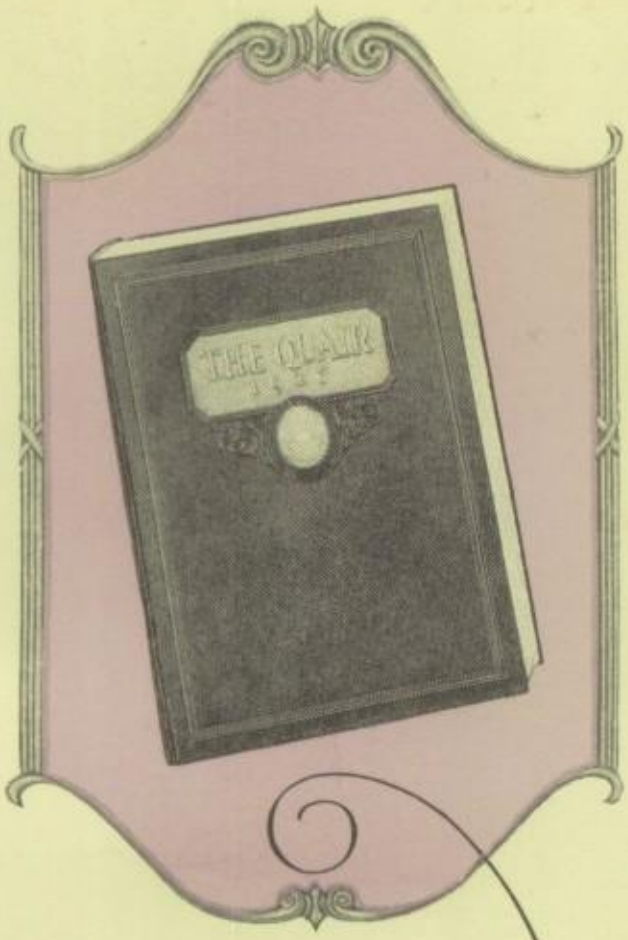

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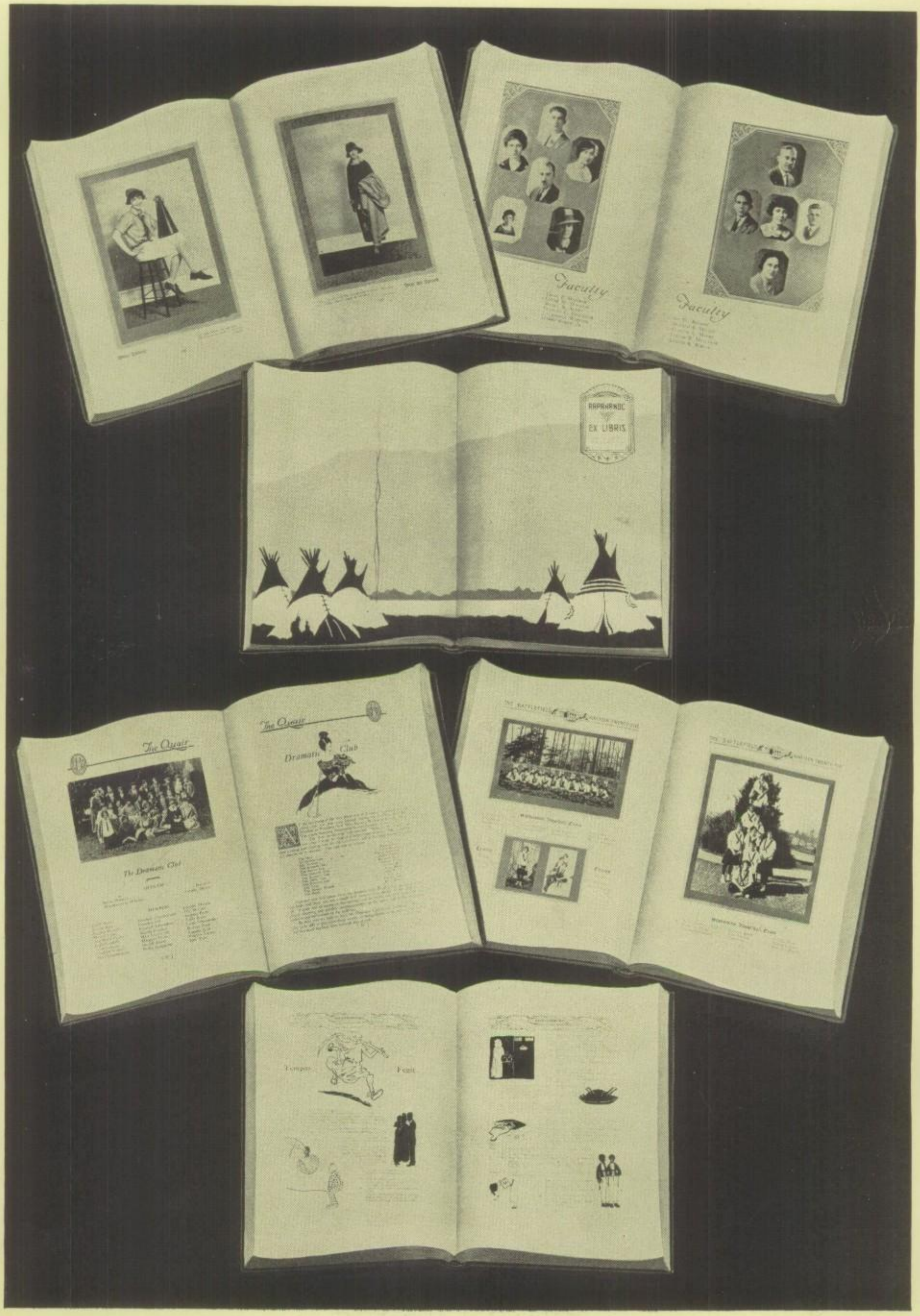
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